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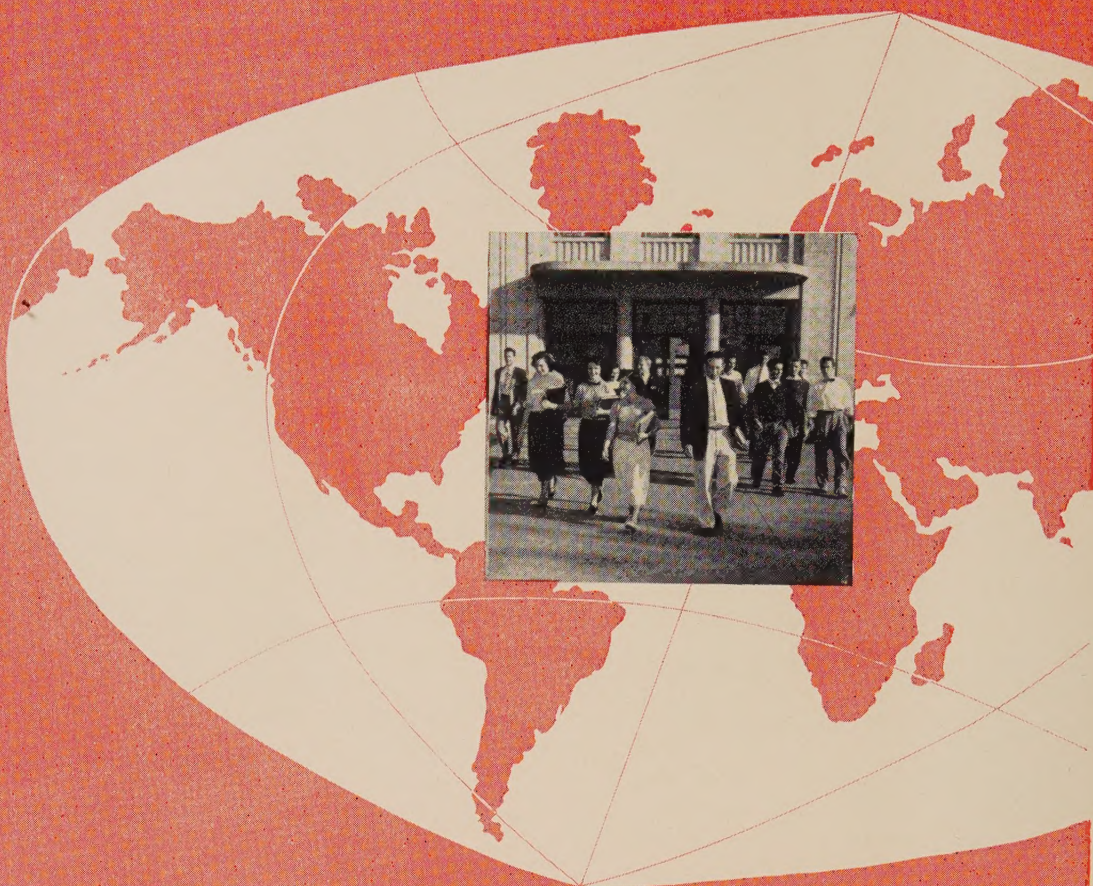
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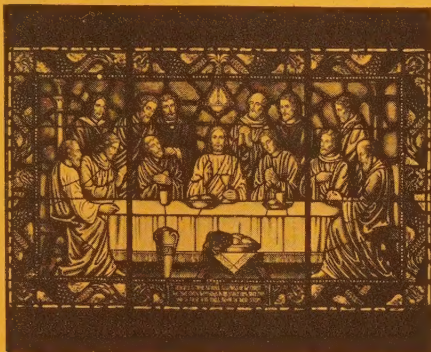
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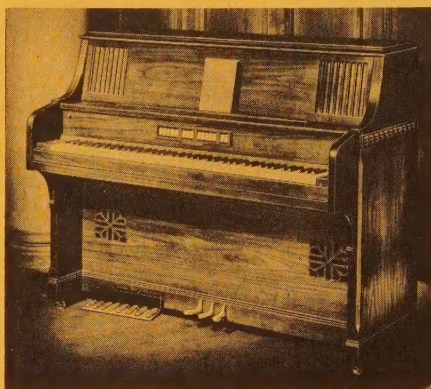
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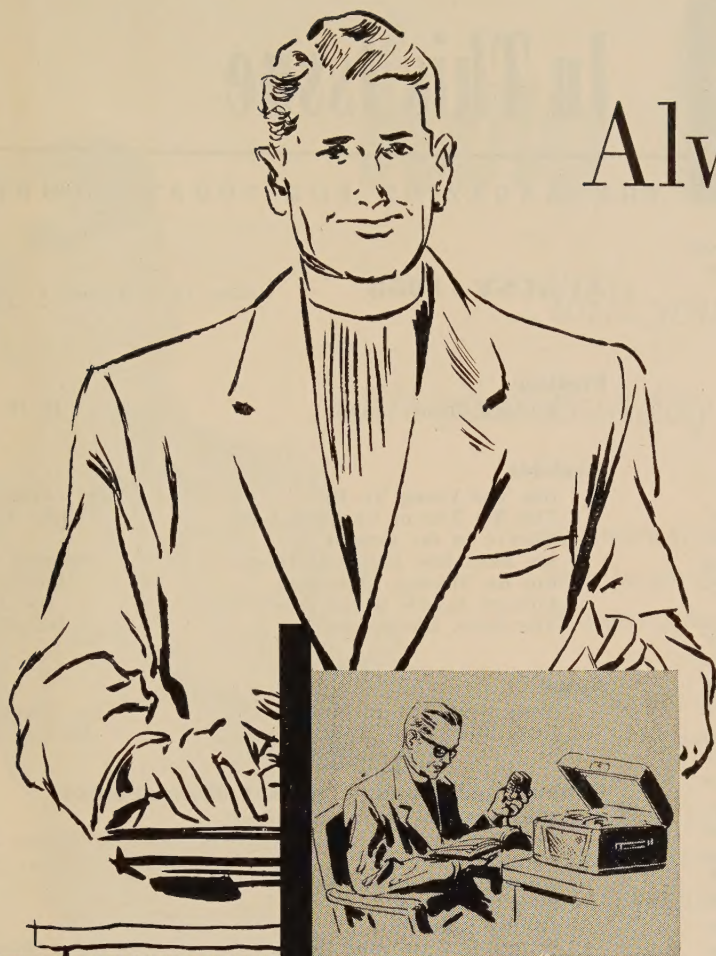
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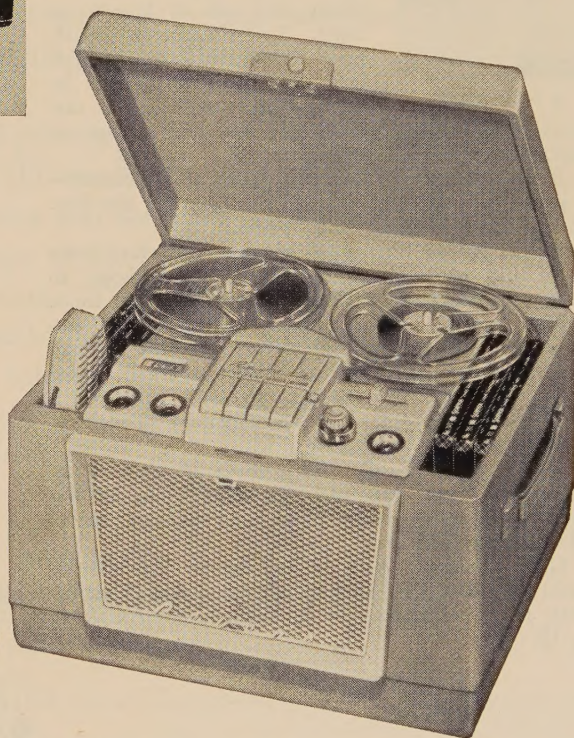
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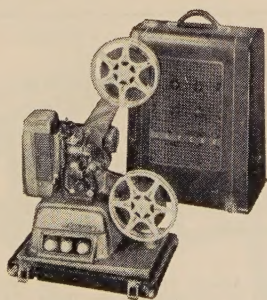


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A picture is worth a thousand words" is an oft-quoted Chinese proverb. To CHRISTIAN LIFE, a picture may be worth 750 words at two cents a word—\$15. That's what you'll get when you submit an acceptable "Picture of Significance."



A SILO SPEAKS

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Grand Haven, Mich. FRANK C. NELSEN

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I am not a professor or a president of a college or a director of any mission or church, but I want to voice my praise unto God for the wonderful, wonderful article "Are We Missing Something?"

Stockton, Calif. MRS. RAY MATUSKA

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Myrddin Lewis' challenging article and the reaction of various evangelical leaders are most interesting. Is it not significant that though these various leaders gave various opinions, most of them agreed we are missing something? Rather than squabble amongst ourselves as to what that something is, it would seem that the solution is merely to seek God's best. Were we to do that, we wouldn't worry about the emotional issue, regardless of which side of the fence we stand on. The real question is *when* are we going to do something about it?

Columbus, Neb. CARL L. RAFFERTY

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I read with interest the article, "Are We Missing Something?" I read with equal interest the comments thereon. I am still waiting to find out why many of the leading lights in fundamentalist circles assume that we should not expect a continuation of the book of Acts in our own day. The burden of proof is upon those who make this assumption, not upon those who expect the miraculous.

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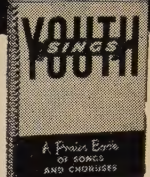
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for helping Christian communications. . . . We decided, in family conference, that we would take our largest electric bill as a "control figure" and see how much we could bring the bill down by turning out unused lights, unplugging the iron, turning off the stove, running cold water instead of hot when we "just wanted water," etc. The difference we would send to some Christian work. The next electric bill to arrive got more attention than any bill has a right to. And sure enough, it had come down a little, even in the middle of winter. . . . We decided that since the difference would automatically get larger in the summer, when radio program incomes seem to automatically get smaller, that might be a sensible place to invest it. Eventually, of course, we will probably donate to the cause of Christian communications several inches of barked shins, etc., suffered while making blind landings from the car to the nearest light switch inside the front door, since we no longer leave the outside lights on during a whole evening away, but so far, there have been no casualties. And cat-eyed youngsters make every scouting trip to the light switch a service to the Lord. We made it a point to explain that conserving electricity did *not* include cutting down on the number of baths, or spattering three drops of cold water over the face in the morning, then wiping the result on a towel which would then have to be washed and rinsed in several times the amount of hot water thus saved. We have a lot of fun with our conservation program.

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I want to tell you that I think "A Losing Battle" in the May issue of **CHRISTIAN LIFE** is one of the finest stories your magazine has ever published.

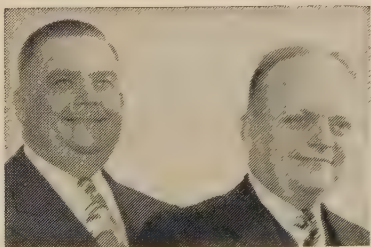
Kansas City, Kan. ALICE D. HIXSON

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Your May, 1953, issue is brimming with good things to read. Especially good was the story by Shirley Nelson, "A Losing Battle." More of us should learn what she learned about witnessing.

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God Uses a Contest

ANOTHER CHRISTIAN LIFE editorial brainstorm." That was the reception which some circles gave the first international Sunday school contest five years ago.

Clearly something had to be done. Across the nation, Sunday school attendances had been dropping. Entire denominations planned abandoning Sunday schools from their churches. Many closed the doors tightly during the summer.

So we announced the contest. A fellow from Evansville, Ind., enrolled his school and the contest was off to a good start. The year was 1948, and 376 Sunday schools entered.

Criticism? Sure, we had criticism. We were told Sunday school contests wouldn't work in this day and age. You could bring kids out for a week or two, but you couldn't keep them, they said. Then the so-called experts told us that contests were the wrong motivation to get crowds out. We'd do more harm than good.

But after that first year—with the Sunday schools reporting a total accumulated gain of 66,000 pupils—we couldn't have dropped the contest if we had wanted to.

Encouraging too is the fact that year after year many of the same Sunday schools come back, eager to boost their attendances still higher, anxious to let more boys and girls, men and women of their communities learn about Christ. And when Sunday schools write in, saying, "We don't care if we win a prize or not; God richly blessed us and we thank God for this contest," we are humbly grateful for a part in this gigantic ministry.

Of course, we're amazed. We've been overwhelmed by the results of each contest. But we dare not take credit for this contest. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

Yet we had one more question. So did our critics. "Do these Sunday schools which report such spectacular increases keep their gains?"

So the other day we sent out a questionnaire to winners of the past five contests.

Here's what we discovered. Before the contest started, these Sunday schools varied in size from 36 to 902 and came from such representative places as Los Gatos, Calif., London, Ont., Broken Arrow, Okla., Springfield, Ill., Memphis, Tenn., Pipestone, Minn., and Uniontown, Pa. Moreover, before the contest started, these Sunday schools averaged 361 in attendance.

During the contest, average attendance zoomed to an amazing 792. Some kept going higher; most dropped a bit; but not one dropped close to their previous figure. This year their average attendance was 503, a sustained average increase of 142 per school.

One Sunday school evidently forgot the contest was over and kept climbing until at last report their attendance was four times the pre-contest figure and 100 more than the contest high.

Shamefacedly one pastor remarked, "We've had a decline recently because we aren't working as hard; but our attendance is still averaging about 250 more than a year ago."

A pastor's wife wrote, "Through the medium of the contest people became interested who never would have considered coming to Sunday school before. And the beauty of the way this has worked out is the fact that many of these are still coming regularly. And even still more beautiful is the fact that a number of these have been saved and have confessed Christ this year, since Jan. 1."

Follow-up work, new church buildings, visitation and other results of the contest have proved a great asset to increased attendance.

We simply wonder, "What more can the Lord do through this contest this year?" Already the 1953 contest has been committed unto the Lord; He has shown us it isn't merely an "editorial brainstorm."

Pray with us, will you, that hundreds of thousands more might be reached with the Gospel this year in the Sixth International CHRISTIAN LIFE Sunday School Attendance Increase Contest.

1953 Editorial Platform

1. Stimulate missionary vision and action by on the spot reporting of world missions.
2. Strengthen and develop Sunday schools.
3. Foster strong Christian family life.
4. Create a hunger for the Spirit-filled life.

Communism vs. Prayer

WHEN the Youth for Christ World Congress convenes in Tokyo this month, it will discuss Christianity's answer to the Communist threat. Even as YFC leaders pray for God's answer, worldwide attention focuses on East German revolts, Korean diplomacy, Thailand insurrections and other danger scenes.

Extremely "hot" in today's news, Communism poses a problem which every Christian should face. Secularism has neither prevention nor cure for it. In fact, many folks feel helpless against the surging Red waves.

As CHRISTIAN LIFE editorials have emphasized before, the unused weapon which Christians should wield is prayer. In the past maybe too much prayer has been centered around short-sighted requests and not enough devoted to the halting of such an international menace to Christian world evangelism as Communism. Too little concern is felt about the Christian picture five years from now if Marxism's march is not barricaded.

Already missionaries have been evicted from a good share of the earth's surface by the Reds. Certainly God could not only stop Communism in its tracks but also open the entire world to the Gospel again if Christians would earnestly ask Him.

PICTURE OF SIGNIFICANCE ►

- With liquor billboards hedging America's main highways and tobacco ads painted on red farm buildings, Oliver Krull, Appleton, Wis., farmer, decided to paint a sign on his silo as a testimony for Christ. Saved 16 years ago from drink, Krull finds the sign opens opportunities to speak for Christ. At night a flood light illuminates the sign, so that day and night all who journey on Highway 47 may see.



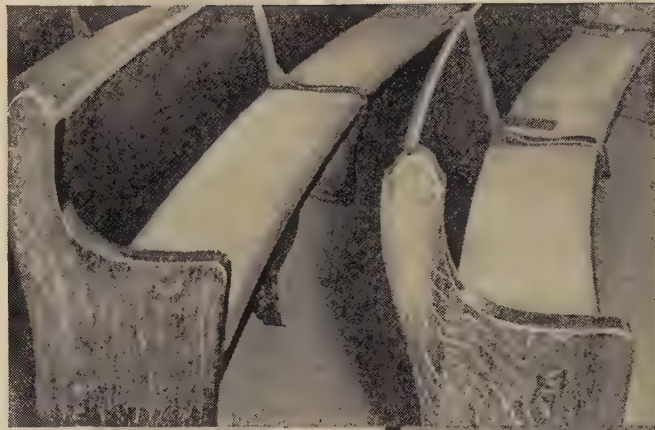
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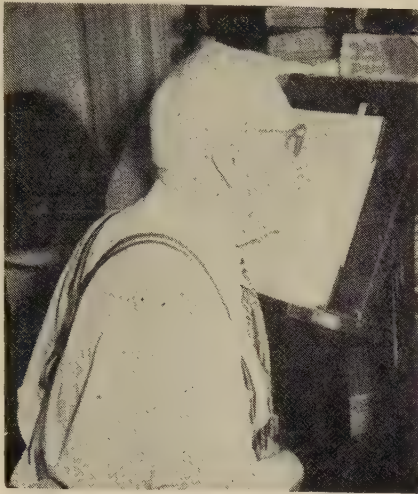


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His tongue substitutes for blinded eyes.

He Reads With His Tongue

by Edward L. Kauffman

FOR 40 years William McPherson has been doing what no other person has ever been known to do. He reads the Bible with the tip of his tongue.

On June 21, 1906, William McPherson lost his eyesight and both of his hands. As a member of a quarry gang he was seriously injured when a blast of dynamite went off prematurely. Doctors spent hours in removing the many tiny particles of stone from his face. Forty stitches were required to close the many fissures. His hands hung by cords. His eyesight was gone. One terrible reality which faced him when he regained consciousness was the prospect of never again being able to read the Bible.

Four years later he heard a sermon which was destined to change the course of his life. In Evanston, Ill., a minister used for a sermon theme, "The Precious Word of God." During the sermon he related the story of a blind woman in England who lost the touch of her fingers so that she no longer could read with her fingertips. Having cherished the Bible as a friend, she wept at the thought of never again being able to read from its pages. As she stooped down to kiss the page farewell, she became conscious that her lips were able to detect the raised characters. Immediately the idea came to her of reading with her lips, and according to the story she learned to do this.

William McPherson was impressed. "If she could read with her lips, why couldn't I?" he asked himself. But he didn't know how to get started, and two years passed away. Then Miss Johnson, who was employed by the state of Illinois to help blind people, found him. When he told her of his dream, she merely remarked, "You hear so many stories."

But William McPherson was in earnest and persuaded her to give him an hour lesson each week. First of all she prepared an alphabet card for him. But his lips were unable to detect the letters. Then he tried his tongue. He became encouraged to find that his tongue was more sensitive to the raised characters than his lips.

He practiced day and night until his tongue became sore. At times he would awake from his sleep and become fearful. Then he would arise and go over his lesson and pray that God would give him food for his soul. After three weeks of diligent practice he had mastered the alphabet. When Braille proved too sharp for his tender tongue, he adopted Moon type, a system of raised letters.

His next lesson consisted of the Lord's Prayer which he mastered in a week. Then at his request Miss Johnson secured a copy of John's Gospel for him from the Chicago Bible Society. The society also sent along a copy of Luke, both free of charge. Soon he was able to read quite rapidly. Other books were added to his library until he had secured the entire Bible in many volumes.

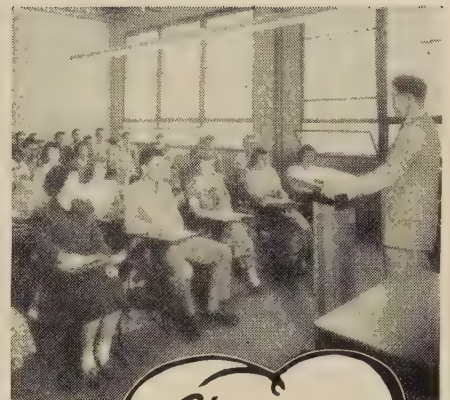
William McPherson has read the entire Bible through from beginning to end at least three times with the tip of his tongue. Some portions of scripture he has read over and over again. He has stored many choice scripture passages in his memory.

Interested friends have recently presented him with a portion of the talking Bible (the Gospels). This is a welcome addition to his library, but the many volumes of his Moon edition still find their way regularly to the reading rack.

William McPherson lives in Kansas City, Mo., with his housekeeper, Mary Littler, who has cheerfully cared for him for more than 34 years. Despite his handicap, he has a radiant testimony for his Lord. The scores of cards which he receives each birthday and Christmas are token of blessings which have come to friends through an acquaintance with him.

Now 86 years old, he enjoys reading the Bible and conversing with friends about spiritual things. "The first thing I expect to see," he optimistically declares, "is my Lord."

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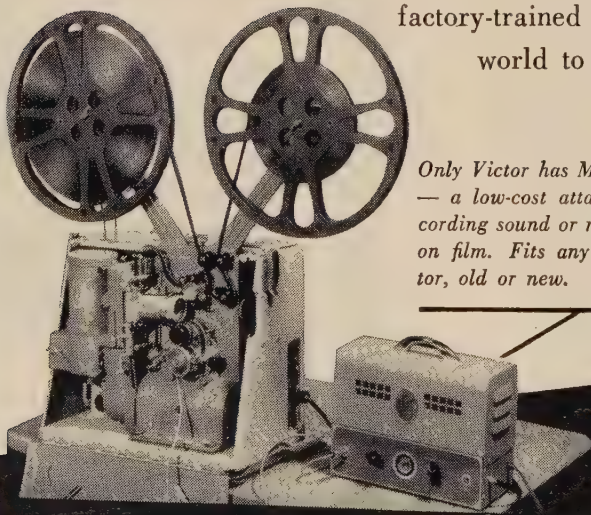
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Bloodhounds, trailed by sober-faced police officers, tracked through the woods in search of the bodies of the two missing girls.

Not Too Young To Die

by Leslie Flynn

Last March, when murder snatched the lives of two innocent girls in a New York suburb, everyone was asking, "Who did it?"

BODIES of two little girls brutally murdered were found in the woods south of Spring Valley last night!"

This news flash broke the quiet of an early Monday morning last March 9. Residents like myself of Rockland county, just 25 miles northwest of New York City, were alerted to one of the most shocking crimes in its history.

Radio flashes, usually so distant and detached from our placid suburban community, struck home. To me, a Rockland county pastor, the news came with double force. As I tuned up the radio, questions crowded my mind. Who was

the killer? Was he now in the neighborhood? What about the girls? Had our Sunday school done its part to reach them? Did they attend our Sunday school? Did they know the Lord as personal Savior?

The broadcast droned on, and I picked up the details. The first inkling that something was wrong had come near supper time Sunday when two small girls, Marjorie, 8, and Esther, 6, were missing

from their playground. A quick search had no success, though the girls had been seen 20 minutes before at the edge of a forest surrounding the playground. An intensive search was soon started.

The announcer continued. The girls were from Lakeside School, an excellently supervised home for more than 150 underprivileged boys and girls. I knew there was hope then, because our Sunday school gathered two busloads of children from the school every Sunday morning. But I did not recognize the names of Marjorie and Esther.

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Sunday schools.

When ex-boxer Rex Martin took Christ as his Savior, things became different. But it was hard to convince his pulverizing fists and swift temper that they weren't necessary in this new life.

BLIZZARD BRAWL

by H. W. Bailey

REX MARTIN knew he shouldn't have done it. There he stood towering, powerful and victorious, over the bleeding, groaning man at his feet on the warehouse floor. Inside, Rex felt small and ashamed.

It had been brutally vicious the way he had laced into Rogetti's face and body, both fists jabbing and hooking just as though he were back in the ring again.

There lay the man Rex wanted to lead to Christ. The two families were neighbors now, and every member of both families (except Rogetti himself) had accepted Christ as Savior. But there was that violent temper upsetting things again.

Rex removed the driver's glove from his right hand, massaged the puffed knuckles, then turned toward his loaded, waiting truck.

"Beautiful," one of the warehouse workers complimented, "simply beautiful. That's what I call religion with a punch." There was a burst of raucous laughter. Then someone called, "Better watch your step talkin' that way . . . look what happened to Rogetti, makin' wise cracks 'bout Martin's new religion."

Rex left the jabbering cluster of men and walked dejectedly to the office to check out with his load. He wanted desperately to go back and apologize to Rogetti before pulling out on that long, night haul. But there would be time for that later. Besides, he was behind schedule already and it was a long drag across North Dakota from Fargo up to Billings, Montana. Rogetti had been assigned the same run and would be checking out right behind him. He'd watch for a chance to apologize at one of the coffee stops along the way.

What makes a fellow act that way, Rex asked himself as he sprang down off the loading dock. *I've tried so hard these last two months to be a Christian, and now . . .*

Moving quickly around the truck, Rex checked it carefully. The 14 tires were all hard, the windshield wipers waved their readiness, the oil and air pressure gauges passed his inspection. He climbed up into the big cab, engaged the clutch and the massive semi moved smoothly out into the freezing darkness of the Dakota winter.

On these long trips across the bleak flatlands the radio in his cab had been like a friend, helping to break the mile-after-mile monotony. Tonight things were different. The radio remained silent. Only the steady drone of the motor infringed on his thoughts.

Seven years ago Rex had hung up his boxing gloves. "Better make it good tonight. It's the last

time I'll answer the bell," he had said. After being one of the top middleweights for three glory-filled years, why shouldn't he retire?

Rex Martin had fought the best of them. There was no disputing that. Oh, there had been many times when Rex had hit the canvas for the count of ten himself. But those were the times when he had lost his head and allowed his blinding temper to make a fool of him. "The only thing that can lick you, Rex, is your own temper," his manager had warned him repeatedly.

Strange how a person can change, though. Seven years ago it wouldn't have made Rex feel squeamish to beat a man. But that was seven years ago . . . six years and ten months before he had given his heart to the Lord.

Flecks of snow began to leap at the windshield, then scurried up over the top of the truck. Along the side of the road Rex saw the wind catch up handfuls of snow and hurl it across the highway in front of the semi.

"The Christian walk is new to you, Rex," Pastor Manly had admonished him just last week. "You're just a babe in Christ, just two months old. The adversary of your soul will make it his business to trip you." Recalling the words brought some consolation, but things were far from being right inside. God was forgiving, he knew that. But there was a wrong he'd have to make right. He'd have to square things with Rogetti.

Up ahead, an oncoming pair of headlights made Rex snap into alertness. The strong sidewind was forcing the car to crowd far over into Rex's lane. He gripped the steering wheel hard. With skilled timing Rex jerked his heavy load of freight off on to the frozen shoulder. Somehow the car skinned by.

He sighed in relief and looked at his watch. Thirty or 40 minutes more and he would be sipping coffee at Howie's Hi-way Canteen. He glanced at the rear-view mirror. There was too much swirling snow to see far now. But then, Rogetti couldn't be far behind.

Within the next half hour three more cars came within inches of sideswiping him. The wind was getting stronger. When he pulled to a stop at the Canteen it was as if some invisible giant were holding his cab door closed. Bracing himself, Rex forced the door open against the pressure of the icy blast. He leaned hard into the wind and struggled his way to the cafe. Sometimes it was frightening how suddenly these blizzards could sweep down across this helpless Dakota country. He stepped into the warmth of the room.



*"What a fool the Devil can make of a man,"
he thought, "I did that to him. I caused Rogetti to go
headlong into certain danger and possible . . ."*

"Hi, Rex," Howie greeted from behind the counter, automatically getting him a cup of coffee. "Some weather. Going to put up here for the night?"

"Nope," Rex said, sliding onto a counter stool. "Rogetti's tagging me this trip. When he catches up I'll shove off ag . . ."

"You crazy, man?" Howie interrupted. "Haven't you been listening to your radio? Roads all drifting in bad west of here."

"No," Rex said. "No, hadn't heard. Guess it's worse than I figured, eh?"

He sipped the coffee and chatted, casting frequent, nervous glances toward

the roadside window. There was no sign of approaching lights. Where was that Rogetti?

"Got plenty of vacancies tonight." Howie nodded toward the adjoining motel. "Better get yourself some sleep. Maybe the plows'll have the roads opened up by morning." He laughed and Rex caught the inference of its hollowness. Rex had spent too many winters in that country to be fooled. Those plows might not be able to operate for days if this blizzard developed into anything like some of them.

"Another coffee," Rex said, shoving the empty cup across the counter. Howie

shook his head and jokingly said something about not drinking too much coffee if he wanted to sleep. Outwardly Rex laughed, too, but inwardly he told himself he wouldn't be able to sleep, coffee or no coffee, until he had made that apology. Rogetti and the other drivers expected something different of him now, in spite of their ridicule. He'd have to prove that his Christianity was real.

"Lights." Howie pointed to the highway. "Wait til that flurry dies down. There, see 'em?"

Between the bullying spasms of wind-thrown snow, Rex caught the dim flicker of headlights. "Rogetti," he said smiling. Silently he added, *Glad you made it, fellow.*

Together Rex and Howie went to the window to watch the truck driver battle his way toward the haven. As the semi swung in at the driveway Howie said, "Bet he's never been so glad to see my neons flashing out there."

The truck slowed and stopped. Then suddenly there was a loud acceleration and the big van moved into the storm again.

"Is that Rogetti clean crazy?" Howie shot at Rex in astonishment. "Why he knows the next stop is Carter's . . . 15 miles."

"Yeah," Rex said thoughtfully, "but it'll seem like 115 miles on a night like this."

"Wonder what got into him," pondered Howie.

Rex didn't answer. He knew only too well the reason. Rogetti had obviously intended to lay over at Howie's place, but had decided to fight his way to Carter's rather than spend the night with Rex.

I did that to him, thought Rex. I, a Christian, caused that man to go headlong into certain danger and possible . . .

Howie, noticing Rex's nervousness, said, "There's no use in pacing the floor that way. It was his own fault. Just plain foolishness, that's all. If a man wants to be so . . ."

Rex didn't hear the rest. *What a fool the Devil can make of a man, he thought.* He went to the window and stared into the fury outside. He checked the time, then went back to the counter. "Fill it up again." He motioned to his cup.

Forty-five minutes later Rex said, "I'm going to phone Carter's. Got to know if Rogetti made it." By some miracle the wires had withstood the wind's force. The telephone rang at Carter's. His fears were substantiated. Rogetti had not reached there. Somewhere on that desolate 15-mile stretch of drifted-in highway a human life was in peril. A half hour later Rex called again. Rogetti still had not arrived.

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The Big Test of Christian Love

by Ruby Tarrance

WHEN on a visit in Egypt, in one of his meetings among soldiers, Dr. Stuart Holden asked a big sergeant in a highland regiment how he was brought to Christ.

"There was a private in the same company who was converted in Malta before the regiment came to Egypt," he replied. "We gave that fellow an awful time."

"One wet night he came in tired. Before getting into bed he got down to pray. My boots were heavy with mud, and I let him have one on one side of the head and the other one on the other side. He went on praying."

"Next morning I found those boots beautifully polished and standing by the side of my bed. That was his reply to me and it broke my heart. I was saved that day."

We hear stories like this and revel at the ultimate triumph of good over evil. But the hard question for Christians to ask themselves today is, "How much am I willing to suffer in loving those out of Christ to bring them to Him?"

Sad is the fact that the failure of too many Christians to obey the simple commandment of our Lord has spelled the doom of effective evangelical Christianity in many areas today.

The Word of God is clear regarding this phase of our Christian living. "Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you. Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you" (Luke 6: 27, 28).

Christ himself demonstrated what He meant by this when He hung on the cross in pain and agony. He said, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

Shortly after that Stephen followed His example. He was being stoned to death by the Jews. "He kneeled down and cried . . ., Lord lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep" (Acts 7: 60).

Many have harbored murder and hate in their hearts as Louis Zamperini did, but few have had experiences similar to

his. With his plane shot from under him, he spent 47 days at sea on a raft. After landing, he and his buddy were captured by the Japanese. Zamperini was beaten and maltreated. His hatred for his captors mounted. He planned to kill his guard as soon as he was released. When the Americans came he couldn't take time to kill him.

Later Zamperini was converted in one of Billy Graham's meetings. He went back to Japan, testifying to those who tortured him, winning many of them to the Lord Jesus.

One of them said, "I don't see how you can come back after what we have done to you. Christ must be real."

A Christian woman laboring among the moral lepers in London, found a poor street girl desperately ill in a bare, cold room.

With her own hands she ministered to her, changing her bed linens, procuring medicine, nourishing food, a fire, and making the poor place as bright and cheery as possible. And then she said, "May I pray with you."

"No," said the girl. "You don't care for me; you are only doing this to get a home in heaven."

Many days passed, the Christian woman unwearily kind, the sinful girl hard and bitter. At last the Christian said, "My dear, you are nearly well now, and I shall not come again. But since this is my last visit I want you to let me kiss you." As the pure lips that had known only prayer and holy words met the lips defiled by oaths and unholy carresses, the hard heart broke and the girl accepted.

The ability to love and pray for our enemies comes from God. The wonderful feeling of triumph over Satan shall compensate for all of our time and effort on bended knees. Then after we have led one of our enemies into the fold, we shall know the full joy of salvation.

May God help us to see that it is necessary to love our enemies as Christ loved His. May He teach us how to pray for them. Let us do so today.



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In many churches a kickoff banquet starts the contest. This enlists the entire congregation to work for the Sunday school.

If you want victory to come to your church, you'll want your Sunday school to join hundreds of others that look forward all year to the time when . . .

They're in the Contest



Workers map out their spiritual invasion.

COULD this happen in your Sunday school? Busses skirting outlying communities early Sunday morning, the superintendent chatting with the city editor, the mayor in the back row of the Berean class, Sunday school ads floating down on school playgrounds, a Sunday school band parading up Main street, neighboring houses used as classrooms, the teaching staff doubled, previous attendance records tripled, teachers kneeling in prayer past midnight, boys and girls won to Christ every Sunday.

If you think this is impossible, apparently you don't know about the Sixth International Sunday School Attendance Contest, sponsored by CHRISTIAN LIFE.

The contest has been the vehicle for hundreds of Sunday schools to boost their attendance high above preceding years. Last year, for instance, 1,653 Sunday schools entered the contest. Re-

porting Sunday schools picked up an average of 78 scholars per Sunday more than they had in 1951.

After these Sunday school workers vision what a boost of 78 would do to their attendance, they get bitten by the contest bug. After seeing the possibility of sending their pastor on a free trip to the Holy Land and the opportunity for their Sunday school to win one of the dozens of valuable prizes, they are enthused. But after they've been in one contest, they are almost addicts, for they know firsthand what a contest can mean to their Sunday school.

Entering the contest is simple. All they do is fill out the coupon on the



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Training class shows prospective teachers how not to teach as well as the proper methods.



The sign painter aids the publicity crew.



Big promotional event of the contest is a parade down Main street attracting large crowds.

last page of the Contest Supplement (page 37) and send it in. But the real work starts on their end and in their Sunday school.

Anxious to get the contest fervor injected in their church, they first convince Sunday school workers and leaders. Throughout this issue they find abundant ammunition to convince even their most ardent reactionary. They know there is no sense of starting a contest without cooperation and earnest desire to work hard to win boys and girls for Christ.

From then on, no two Sunday schools operate exactly alike. But no matter what the size, the location or the conditions, they will need reliable men and women in charge of various phases of activity. One person—the pastor, Christian education director or Sunday school superintendent—will be placed as contest coordinator to see that everything runs efficiently.

Chairmen will be appointed to be in charge of committees.

One of the first to get moving will be the teacher training committee. The faith of the contest enthusiasts tells them that they will have to create some new classes because of the contest. This means new teachers. And a teacher training program has been demonstrated to be best to train new workers for teaching positions.

They also realize that they will need more space. Those cluttered corners and dusty attics are swept out to make room for an extra bunch of junior boys and a group of primary girls. They might rent store buildings or community centers, anything that will hold more students.

Their visitation committee starts early with a canvass of the community. They always are surprised about the number of folks in their neighborhood that don't

attend any Sunday school regularly. But their visitation committee reaches out and contacts new communities as well, farther from the church.

That's where their transportation committee steps in. To bring in these children from outlying areas, they need a faithful crew of car and bus drivers.

Chances are that people won't come unless their Sunday school is made something special. And that's the job of their publicity committee. There are countless ways of getting the name of their Sunday school before the public, and their publicity director knows a lot of them.

One way proven popular has been the conducting of a parade down Main street in their town. Although this technically falls under publicity, it is such a big enterprise in itself that they usually delegate it to another person as a job in itself.

Essential to any successful contest are good programs Sunday after Sunday. This is the job of their program planning committee. Bringing in unusual talent, arranging for special programs using their own people and putting an attractive "snap" into each program are methods used to make their visitors become regulars.

Frankly, they realize that few children accept Christ the first time they hear about Him. This one consideration starts three other ideas.

One is their personal work preparation to train teachers in how to lead their pupils to Christ. One Sunday of the contest may have a special evangelistic approach that will require extra personal workers.

Another idea they use is the welcoming crew to make each visitor feel right at home the minute he steps into the church.

The third idea is their follow up work, one of the most important angles of the contest. The visitors brought out during the special drive must be made permanent if their Sunday school is to use the contest effectively.

As the contest nears, each committee works at a fever pitch. Teachers meetings are conducted to keep the teachers "in the know." No matter how big the Sunday school is, the teachers are the most interested workers and the contest director gives them every consideration, informing them on new developments, helping them in their problems and listening to their suggestions.

Of course they know that the secret to the successful contest is good preparation. Preparation is thorough and includes every phase of the Sunday school ministry. The contagious contest enthusiasm is caught by every teacher from the nursery class to the adult class.

What this preparation means to them is often unusual. One Sunday school has to buy shoes for some of its pupils



Scores of pupils take advantage of free transportation on the Sunday school bus.

before it can get them to Sunday school. Another has to hold classes in a school bus, a station wagon, and neighborhood homes, another rents 100 chairs in advance, but has to increase its order to 700 by the third Sunday.

Keeping on their toes is the only way they can win the contest. But once they have made such thorough preparation, they want to keep on going. And just because the contest closes Nov. 15, they see no reason to stop their efforts in bringing newcomers into their Sunday school.

After all, beyond the honor of victory, and the winning of prizes, they have a permanent objective. That is to win their community for Christ. And while the incentive for contest awards dies after six weeks, the incentive to win their community for Christ is always before them. That is the job they are aiming at, with eternity's value in view. END



Careful records are kept on each pupil.

Personal workers pray with Sunday school crowd to climax a well-organized contest.



Sex Education Begins at Home

by Virginia Matson

Whether the parents know it or not, long before the youngster utters his first naive questions about it, his sex education has begun.

GRANDMA called it carnal and let it go at that—to the everlasting confusion of her growing children.

Today, however, a growing number of alert Christian parents are taking another look at the subject of sex. They are trying to rethink the problem in terms of what God's will is for the relationship between sexes . . . their desires, differences and potential meanings.

The magazine rack at the corner drug store reveals the danger of the wrong emphasis on sex. That's what Grandma was afraid of.

Like anything else, our expression of sexual character is wrong when it gets between man and God. When it becomes first in our lives it becomes sin.

Thus these Christian parents today are realizing that a well-rounded Christian child must know the proper relationships of the sexes and understand the differences and natural desires.

Christian parents are recalling the fact that God initially created the sex relationship and called it good. Back in Gen. 1: 26-31, the Bible states, "And God said, Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, multiply, and replenish the earth. . . . And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good."

Parents today are realizing that proper sex education is important. The fact that the movies, magazines and gutter-talk mis-use and abuse proper relationships of the sexes is all the more reason for parents to so indoctrinate their children with the truth in purity and goodness that the child will never be swayed by powerful influences of filth.

Only the child whose sex attitudes are integrated with his personal relationship with God can be strong. Today a sheltered existence without any knowledge of sex is impossible. And in order to keep that knowledge pure before God, it must be tied in with the child's Christian view of life early in life.

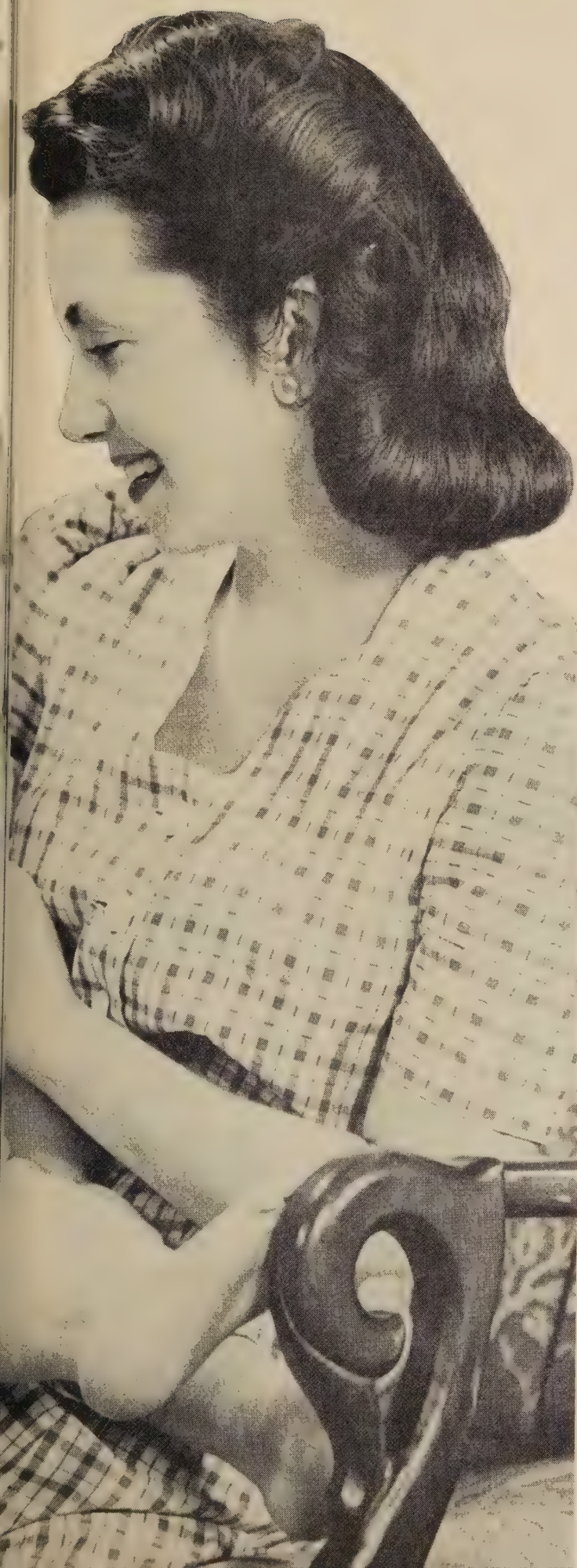
Linked with sex in every child's life is self. In this combination God has given mankind the potentiality to either security or sin. Either give a child a sane attitude toward what he is, or he will find his life swiveled toward a non-sane attitude. The self-sex can either be glorified by



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the personality of God in Christ or it will be degraded by the lust of the world.

Since sex and self are an inseparable combination, the onset of the development of self is the point where the first sex attitudes can be influenced. Shortly after birth, the self in the newborn baby is expressed by the angry cry at hunger to the soft satisfaction of nursing or placid sucking of his thumb.

The inseparableness of sex and self is the clue to the understanding of when to introduce the setting for the development of proper sex attitudes. Usually when asked the question, "When should a child be taught about sex?" the parent answers, "As soon as he is old enough to understand." A fair answer but wrong because that is too late.

A girl's mother stood grieving and wringing her hands in our high school office one day. "I was going to tell her when she was old enough to understand, but now it's too late," was all that she could say.

Foundations for proper sex understandings begin in making sure that from conception the child is wanted and the mother is happy and in an expectant mood. At birth the warmth and security of the mother's love and the happy sounds of a congenial household are the beginning of sound sex attitudes.

In this day of the return of doctors to old fashioned ideas, breast-feeding is again recognized as a cornerstone of sound emotional development. This God-endowed relationship between mother and child not only insures that the child will have better physical and emotional well-being, but also that the mother will be emotionally strengthened in her attachment to her child.

Within his first year, the child begins to show amazing awareness of his self and his sex. Not only will a little boy, for example, begin to show a definite attitude of maleness, but he will have discovered all the pleasurable emotional areas of his body and environment and all the pleasant emotional responses that can be evoked from a smile on his mother's face, a caress in her voice, to the warmth of nestling like a kitten in her arms and sucking his thumb.

Many scoffing at psychological notions say that God has endowed a mother with all the sense needed to raise her child properly. What is forgotten is that the mother has probably acquired some unhealthy emotional ideas that make her a potential liability to her child. Further, any mother who feels that God has endowed her with all the knowledge she needs to raise her child had better stay very close to God.

In no home, no matter how rich the Christian experience nor how wholesome the atmosphere in which to develop proper sex attitudes, can the child be expected automatically to know the facts which he will have to face as he travels toward a mature and independent adult life.

As a child does not inherit his Christian experience, neither does he inherit his sex education from his parents. Therefore the parent must work toward these understandings as his child grows beside him. The parent must anticipate questions, experimentations and problems and then create the right learning situation to wholesomely inculcate proper understanding.

A College Advisor Comments

"Because this problem is both pertinent and acute among our Christian young people today, I believe Mrs. Mattson is correct in her evaluation of parents and their relationship and responsibility to sex education. We do need to teach parents how to teach sex education to their own children."

MIRIAM DANIELSON, *Dean of Women,*
Trinity Seminary and Bible College

Many modern parents believe they must tell all as quickly as they think the child can grasp the facts. This simply is not so. Tremendous damage has been done emotionally by shocking revelations as well as over adverse reactions to the natural curiosity and behavior of children.

Many parents have fussed over the normal curiosity toward sex differences by small children. Yet any good children's behavior guide shows that at about the same age all children begin to be curious.

This curiosity will usually demonstrate itself first in the home. It can be satisfied with a gentle, wholesome family attitude toward nudity for awhile until the differences are understood. This curiosity is all external and physical. There are very few "whys" and even then when the question comes up, "Why are boys made differently from girls?" the answer, "God made them that way" will almost always suffice.

Possibly the most important thing for the parent to remember is that sex in-

formation and curiosity is a continually evolving situation. There is no such thing as giving a piece of information and assuming that it is now understood and need never again be told. Children forget this information as they do all other things that do not seem very close to them. Often they ask a question with a very casual interest and forget the answer almost as soon as the parent has uttered the words.

Meanwhile the parent takes the question most seriously because to him it has great emotional importance. He can't imagine the child failing to understand or remember the answer.

Amusingly, this happened in our home when I was a child. Not long ago, I remonstrated with my mother for never telling me how babies were born. She was very indignant and assured me in great heat that she had. "I told you everything before brother was born. You asked me all kinds of questions. When I told you exactly how he came, you said you understood and wouldn't forget."

When my brother was born, I was exactly two years and nine months old. To the best of my knowledge the subject never again came up in our household.

So today with my children, we review the subject from time to time. Children love to discuss their own babyhood and look at their baby pictures. It gives them a wonderful sense of security.

With the onset of adolescence, the parent's role in giving sex information radically changes. Parents are no longer accepted as the final authority. Information now comes from the community, the school and associates. It can be both wholesome and violently the opposite. It may be obtained surreptitiously via temptation and sometimes violently through contact with a depraved adult.

Therefore the groundwork the Christian parent must lay toward the close of childhood is very important. Just before puberty the child is often introspective, even anxious to engage in simple philosophical talks. If Christ has figured at the center of the family's thinking, most likely the child will have made his decision to enter the family of God too.

Problems of growing up can be discussed in terms of how God would expect the child to honor Him. As the idea of the Christian home matures in the child's thinking, he may be easily helped to figure out for himself a line of conduct to arrive at the goal of a happy Christian home with a suitable Christian mate for himself.

Our children have talked marrying, having babies and settling down in a home of their own from earliest childhood. As they have talked, we have already inserted a great deal of our thinking. The girls want to marry someone as nice as their daddy. The boys

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But the Message Lives On

by Frances Fowler Allen

STOP the car, Henry!" cried his wife Bess. "For land's sake, what's that? Look!"

"Over there?"

"Yes! What a crazy monument! Looks for all the world like two stone chairs. And what's hanging on the back of them?"

Henry narrowed his eyes. "Looks like a man's hat hanging on one chair, and his coat, with the wrinkles still in it, over the back of the other. But all made out of stone. Let's get out and take a good look."

Henry spanned the gravel cemetery drive with two strides of his long legs. Bess trotted after him.

"It is!" she twittered. "And here's a stone cane, hanging next to the hat. Don't they look natural, though? Like he just took them off and hung them there, before he climbed into bed!"

Henry pushed back his hat. "Well! We came around by Springfield, Ill., so's I could show you Abraham Lincoln's monument on the other hill, Bess, but I sure didn't expect to see anything like this in Oak Ridge Cemetery too!"

"Here's his name!" Bess peered at the weather-worn inscription on a central tablet between the two stone chairs. "See, it says, 'T. Strawbridge, Died June 7, 1880.' Well, he must have been a funny man. Wonder who he was?"

"Died, 1880? Who'd remember?"

But he is remembered, this Thomas Strawbridge. In his little prairie town, now the capital of a great state, his name is better known than most former governors.

Thomas Strawbridge was the first saddler in Springfield. After a lifetime of hard work, he had accumulated \$3,000 to leave to some good cause, perhaps a church. But what form should his gift take?

He decided against a stained glass window or bell-tower or an organ. These are all good things, but Thomas Strawbridge had another idea about his \$3,000. He wanted the money to act like a stone dropped into a pond, which

starts circles spreading far and wide.

So, he wrote a will. "It is my will and wish here to acknowledge the blessed Jesus as the Redeemer of the world . . . and to honor and exalt His holy name, I make this provision in my will."

Then he left one thousand dollars each to three churches, a Methodist, a Baptist and a Presbyterian, with a stip-



Unusual monument recalls strange will.

ulation. The interest must be used each year to pay a guest preacher to deliver a sermon upon an assigned theme.

Old fashioned Saddler Strawbridge chose a timeless subject. The sermon, he specified, should be "on the general topic of the goodness, greatness, mercy and unbounded love of Jesus as Redeemer of the World."

Each year, since 1881, the three churches have had their "Strawbridge Sermon." Each year, since 1881, three preachers have bent their brows over an old Book to draw new riches from an inexhaustible topic. The text they use most often is John 3: 16, "The Little Bible of Man's Belief," as one of them called it. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Modern preachers are electrified to see modern congregations more attentive to this topic than to a lecture about war, the atom bomb, social evils and what the United Nations should do next. If such an experience leads some ministers to shift the emphasis of their preaching, that is one ripple from the saddler's stone.

Literary Apostle to the Jews

by Don Lamont

God has chosen David Cooper to minister to His chosen people, the Jews. Today, because of Cooper's Biblical Research Society, Jews have received almost three million books, all written to reveal Christ through pages of the Old Testament.

YOU'RE doing more for the Jews today than any other man in America."

These recent words of a leading American rabbi are the highest human praise Dr. David L. Cooper could desire. To him, they prove that the Biblical Research Society, which he founded in 1930, is succeeding in its primary purpose—to give God's word to the Jew first.

Another rabbi, noted for his writings and radio talks, told Cooper, "You are the man who is making us Jews think.

You Protestants dig deeper into Hebrew writings than we do. If all Christians would do as you are doing and would treat the Jews with kindness, they would persuade all Jews to accept Christ."

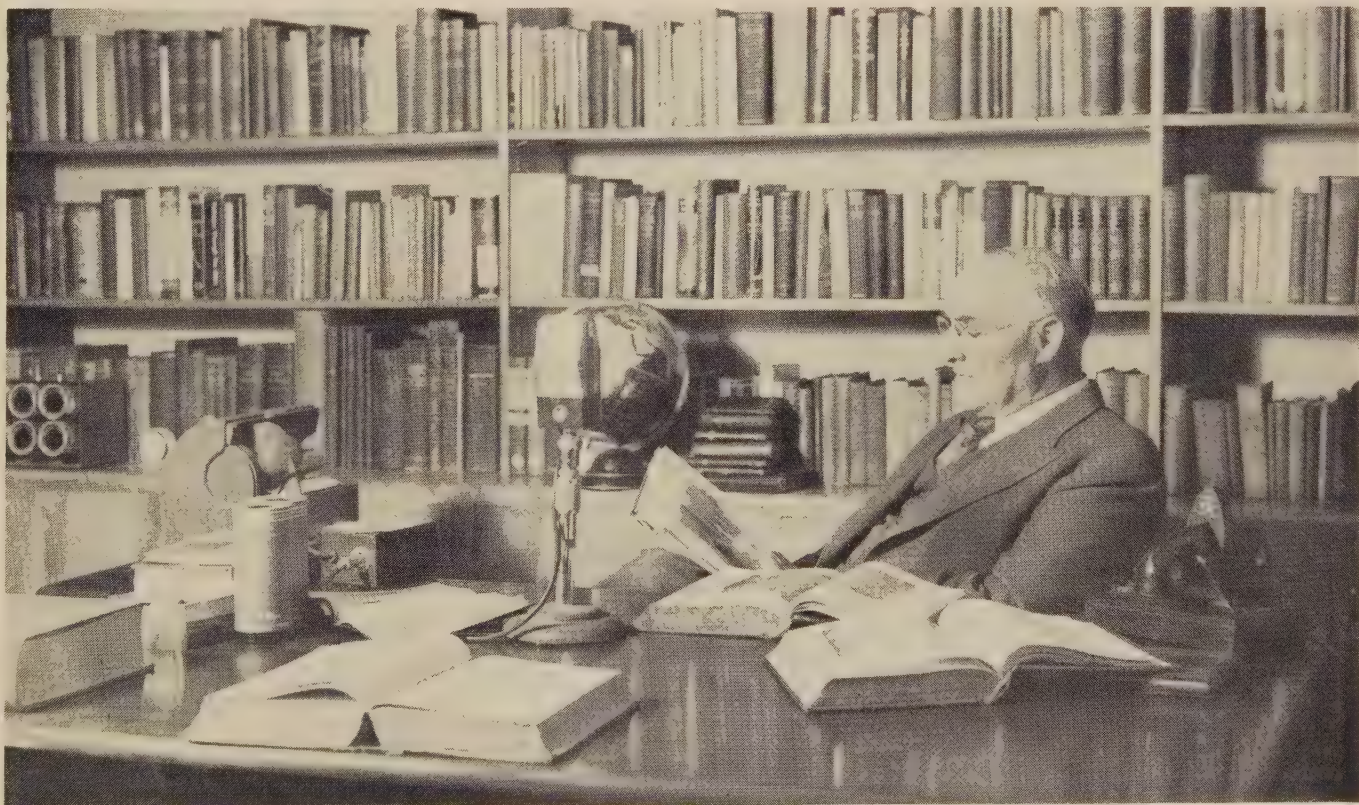
Since Jews are the most highly educated people on earth, Cooper believes they can be reached most thoroughly through literature.

But will Jews read Christian literature? "Yes," declares slow-speaking Cooper, "provided it meets their intellectual demands, and does not conflict with their own Scriptures." He should

know, for he has written 18 books, 16 booklets and numerous tracts, most of them presenting the truth of Jesus Christ in the form he considers most "palatable" to Jews. More than 2.5 million of his books have gone to Jews around the world.

How do they react to the books? Hundreds of letters on file in Cooper's Los Angeles headquarters are almost unanimous in their interest and appreciation of the books. Still more gratifying to Cooper and his staff are the

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Always a scholar, David Cooper absorbs more knowledge which he can use to convince intelligent Jews that Christ is their Messiah.

The Great

by **Donald W. Wells**

If we are linked to an all-powerful God, why are we impotent? Author Wells asks Christians to remove all prejudice and seek the divine power of the Spirit.

UNLESS I can preach what the Word of God teaches—and experience what I preach—I must leave the ministry.”

The man who spoke betrayed the anguish of his heart. Although the pastor of one of America’s widely known and influential churches, he said, “What the Word says God can do is one thing. What I preach God can do is at a lower level. What I myself live is at a still lower level.”

Another prominent pastor, graduate of a leading evangelical college, told me how he threw himself across his bed one Sunday night recently and sobbed to his wife of his powerlessness. What had broken him was the recognition of the awful gap that existed between what he and his church should be and what they actually were.

On my desk is a letter from the pastor of a fine church, orthodox in every doctrine of the faith. Yet one startling sentence stands out, “I know that I must either have the Lord’s power for the Lord’s work or else get out of the ministry.”

These are only a few of the complaints I have heard in the past months from a growing number of sound, evangelical Christian pastors and leaders. Together they portray a picture that has tremendous implications. To these men, a great gap exists—a terrible discrepancy—between what the Word of God says and what they have preached and experienced.

The problem revolves around one issue: that is, whether or not we believe the Word of God means what it says. In other words, can we assume that God so inspired this Word that it can be applied to the needs of mankind in any age. Or must we explain away

whole portions of it as belonging to other ages and hence not applicable today.

Suppose you were handed a Bible for the first time and were told that it was the inspired Word of God, absolutely without error, His revelation to man. Suppose you had never heard of any interpretations or applications, but took it for what it said. What a surprise would be in store for you! You would never read a word about “accepting Jesus,” “rededication,” a one-man ministry in the local church, or even the faintest intimation of modern church organization or program.

Instead, you would be faced with the biblical fact that salvation is “receiving” Christ, taking into your life a Person, “Christ in you, the hope of glory.” You would discover that salvation involves a process of heart preparation by the Holy Spirit and is described by Spirit-inspired terms, such as, a birth from above, a quickening from the dead, a new creation with old things passing away, and all things becoming new.

Such an unfettered approach to the Word would reveal that a Christian is one joined in a vital relationship with Christ, as a branch in the Vine, drawing forth from the root and fatness of the Vine its life and its fruit. Further reading would mark the fruit to be the fruit of the Spirit which is love, joy, peace, longsuffering. . . . You would discover that salvation also involves such a proximity to Christ and His Spirit that “Sin shall not have dominion over you,” and “you cannot keep on practicing sin when you are born of God.”

This research in the Word of God clearly reveals the great discrepancy between what we preach and experience and what the Word clearly teaches. It sends us scurrying for proof-texts to explain the discordant elements of our faith.

A ministerial student at a widely recognized evangelical school recently faced this problem with a friend and answered, “I must admit that what he says rings true to the Word, but I cannot afford to take it too seriously or I will have to admit I have never been saved.”

Again, suppose you were handed a Bible for the first time without any interpretations or systems. And as you read you drew the natural inferences from these passages, “When he had called unto him his 12 disciples, he gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease” (Matt. 10: 1). “And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus’ feet, and he healed them: insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be made whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel” (Matt. 15: 30-31). “Verily I say unto you, if ye have faith and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be cast into the sea it shall be done. And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive” (Matt. 21: 21, 22).

These staggering promises, taken in the settings in which they were given and believed to mean what their plain language indicates, makes another impact upon us. “And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out demons; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them: they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. . . . And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord



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working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following" (Mark 16: 17, 18, 20). "All authority is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore . . . and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age" (Matt. 28: 18-20). "Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go to my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name I will do it" (John 14: 12-14).

Still unfettered by our modern theological explanations, logical deductions and expertly devised systems of supposed truth, we find that what was promised was gloriously realized by untutored, unlettered men, filled with many human failings. Manifested in the lives of apostles, deacons, laymen and women, it continued for nearly 300 years until Constantine wedded the Church to the State. It was accurately fulfilled among the Jews, Samaritans and Gentiles, not restricted to any particular locality, race or class; for 300 years it was exactly as the Word had promised.

God's promised power and glory in lives of humble men is seen in the Book of Acts. "And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people. . . . Inasmuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them" (Acts 5: 12, 15). "And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them . . . and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. . . . So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed" (Acts 19: 11-20).

Paul's great ministry was not simply "in word only." "To make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God" (Rom. 15: 18,

19). "My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God" (1 Cor. 2: 4, 5). "For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance . . ." (1 Thess. 1: 5).

A great discrepancy exists between the promises of God's Word, the experiences of former saints in Bible days, and what we believe and experience today.

In the April issue of *CHRISTIAN LIFE* ("Are We Missing Something?"), Myrrdin Lewis solemnly admitted, "Somehow the power of God is lacking."

It is becoming increasingly difficult to get a lost world to believe a half-truth—to put confidence in that which claims to be linked with Omnipotence, to be intimate with the Holy God, and yet to be so weak and so polluted. Foreign lands are beginning to cry for missionaries who will come "not in Word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit, and in much assurance."

But it is no lie! Jesus Christ is not dead, He is alive, having "stripped principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them" in His cross. He broke the bonds of death,

ascended to His Father, leading "captivity captive," and is "by the right hand of God exalted . . . in the heavenlies, far above all principality and power and might and dominion and every name that is named, not only in this world, but in the world to come: and hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."

We need to recognize this tremendous truth. Laying aside all previous prejudices accounting for our powerlessness, we must give ourselves to Bible research and to prayer to discover the principles that will once more channel the authority and power of God into His church. Nothing else will do.

Like electricity, before Edison, the power of God has always been available to Christians, but not used. But unlike Edison, who geared his life to four hours of sleep and 20 hours in his laboratory to discover the principles of finite power, we are unwilling to spend a few minutes in the Word and communion with God to discover the principles that bring infinite power into human life. It is much more convenient to deny its existence.

That the infinite power and authority of God is available for His own is undeniable in the Word—this relationship, the believer's identity with Christ, should make us live as kings and queens, conquerors in this present evil world. For hundreds of years this power has been potential, but the lack of faith in its reality and an unwillingness to discover and apply the principles have robbed us of God's best.

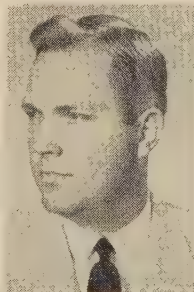
The great discrepancy that exists in what we preach and practice and what the Word actually teaches is basically due to our unbelief, lethargy and ignorance. God has not abdicated. His Word endures forever and He is still willing and able to show His mighty power.

The question is: Do we want this power enough to be willing to step out beyond the narrow confines of our dispensational limitations and shrunken faith?

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two identical worship services each Sunday morning to accommodate crowds. A new sanctuary, now under construction will seat 1,200.

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have their eye out for a girl like Mama. Mother is a Christian or Daddy wouldn't have married her. Daddy is a Christian too. Mama and Daddy go to church together; they pray together. The discipline of the family is very often based upon a prayerful approach to the problem. Other decisions follow His guidance. The Bible is read aloud daily and talked about in family decisions. In this way the children have become accustomed to dealing with their problems in the light of His will, His word and His guidance.

Yet many parents make the mistake of trying to hold their children back. Undue control leads to an unhappy home situation and for the adolescent—the double life. He simply develops a secretive life hidden in which he has the privacy and peace that he feels is his privilege. This is not automatically a wrong life. It is simply the inward and unrevealed life which every adult considers his right. But if the suspicious parent tries to impose his standard of behavior, the young person may actually do wrong in a misguided attempt to demonstrate his independence.

In the homes where parents do not interfere too much, do not mistrust what they do not see or know, actually there is less wrongdoing than in the overly protective homes. The child understands he is trusted to make the right decisions, he is loved and has the security of being believed in by his own parents. He will almost always warrant that trust and carry it into even the most tempting situations with great integrity.

The teacher or pastor may take a larger role in sex education of the adolescent, since much of the parent's job is now done. Similarly as the parent who does not lead his child to Christ prior to adolescence probably never will, so the parent who does not lay the proper foundation for proper sex understanding in his youngster before adolescence is likewise never to have another opportunity.

Consequently, the school and church will have to carry on. But many church people and parents fear the type of information the school may give and how it may be handed out. As a high school biology teacher I taught sex information without any kickbacks from parents or clergymen. To my knowledge the young people never misused the information in spite of implicit detail.

The reason I succeeded was that while I could not teach religious doctrine, I did give the young people an understanding of the establishment of a loving marriage relationship and home honorable in the sight of God. Gearing our thinking to His, we found nothing

to be abused in our knowledge.

Interested pastors can also evidence a willingness to discuss the matters with their young people privately. By disseminating wholesome attitudes toward the role God would have a young man or a young woman play in marriage and the rearing of a family, they can do much good.

Outside the home and particularly in the adolescent age group anything that can't be said in a mixed group had simply better be said only to an individual privately. In most of these inquiries a wholesome reference library spares embarrassment for both parties and only matters that cannot be understood or of a highly individual problem of conduct need to be discussed anyway.

Parents and schools would also do well to have a good library for their teenagers, one in which books are selected after being thoroughly read by the parent beforehand. For young adults, parents have one more opportunity to aid in imparting proper sex attitudes.

This is in providing many opportunities for good fun and healthy social relationship in the home. Although entailing sacrifice of time, it pays off in wonderful dividends. Here is a real missionary opportunity where young people can be guided simply by learning they can have real good times in wholesome situations.

Parents who do not do this and who foist their responsibilities off onto other homes or public places are guilty of letting their young people walk into situations where they are often unable to cope with the temptations and immoral atmosphere. Parents are often guilty of gross carelessness in the choice of schools and camps to which they send their young people.

Parents who dodge their responsibilities by sending their youth to such places without investigating them and without making sure that there is actually going to be positive moral and spiritual results from such an experience will reap grief for themselves and extreme unhappiness for their youngsters.

Finally, the parent should recognize that his role is a constantly evolving one. Whereas with the infant he is the sole source of all understandings and contacts, and in childhood, the final arbitrator of all matters of morality, by young adulthood his son or daughter regards him simply as a confidant and friend.

That is indeed the culmination of God's plan for the relationship of the parent to the child in all ways and particularly in the guidance toward the ultimate moral values of sex and self. Yet as parent and child go separate ways in love and friendship, the Christian parent who has prayerfully and diligently fulfilled his role can know that his child is equipped to go forward confidently in Christ.

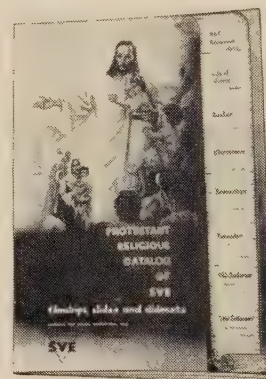
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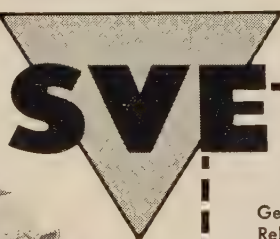
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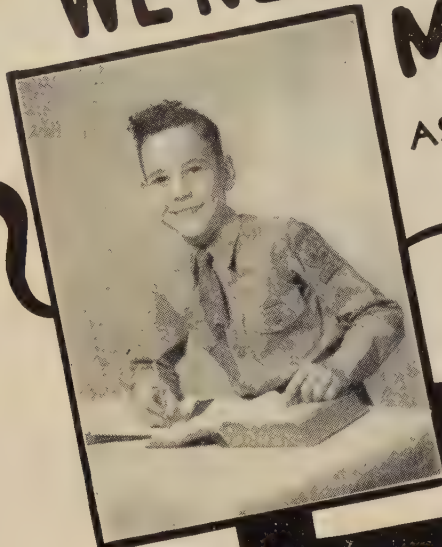
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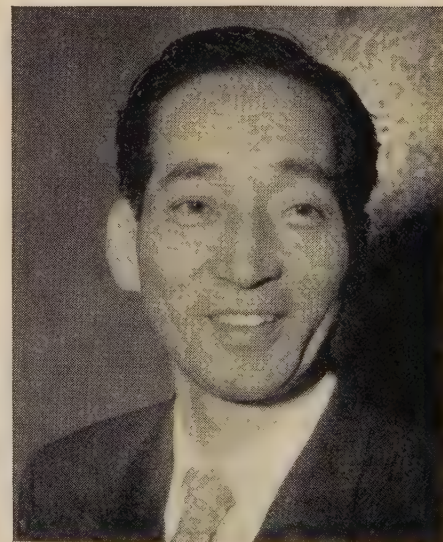
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THE REVIVAL which broke out in Japan and spread to Korea now has touched India, according to word sent by the Rev. Cyril Thomson, Church of England missionary working in that area.

Human channel of the blessing in India was Fred Jarvis, CHRISTIAN LIFE correspondent and missionary working under the sponsorship of The Evangelical Alliance Mission.

Jarvis landed in India shortly after the tragic jet liner crash which took Fred Mitchell, British China Inland Mission leader, home to glory. The accident had sobered the hearts of Christians gathered at a conference in Ootacamund when Jarvis addressed the gathering and quietly told of the work of the Holy Spirit in Japan.

"After only a brief talk by Jarvis, the Holy Spirit took over," Thomson stated. "One after another got up and began publicly to confess sin. One missionary confessed he had been critical of an older one and asked his forgiveness."

Other confessions followed. The meeting continued from 5 to 11 p.m.

"Next day formal services in the Union Church were revolutionized," Thomson reported. Then morning service, which departed completely from the normal order of worship, continued until 2:15 p.m. A long evening service followed.

Next week at Coonoor, second week of the Nilgiri Keswick Conventions, God continued to work. A group of interested workers stayed on until midnight, confess-

ing their sins and seeking new victory from God.

Thomson reported that three workers blessed in the meetings held in the hill stations of South India have felt burdened to carry the revival message to stations in the hill country in the north of India.

Other results: A weekly revival meeting at 6 a.m. Saturdays has been started at

Graham Reports Record Crowd at Dallas

Acclaimed the largest evangelistic service in American history, the closing meeting of the Billy Graham Crusade on June 28 in Dallas jammed the Cotton Bowl with 75,000 persons. As gates to the vast Texas State Fair Grounds were locked to halt the incoming flow of traffic, police turned away thousands of cars. Complete details of the meeting will be in the September issue.

Ootacamund and there are reports of many who have come into new experiences of personal victory throughout the area.

Tokyo Congress

LT. GENERAL William K. Harrison, chief UN delegate in the peace talks with the Korean Reds, has been invited to address the Sixth Youth for Christ World Congress on Evangelism to be held Aug. 9 to 17 in Tokyo.



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General Harrison conferred recently with Dr. Harold J. Ockenga of Boston, noted evangelical leader who stopped off in Japan on a missionary journey of the world. Ockenga was accompanied on his trip by Ken McVety, president of the Evangelical Missions Association of Japan.

Commenting on the forthcoming Youth for Christ gathering, Harrison said:

"I think it is wonderful that the Youth for Christ World Congress is to be held in Tokyo in August. I'm looking forward to it eagerly and will do anything I can to make it a success. I thank God I am a Christian and am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the power of God to everyone that believeth."

It was estimated that more than 1,000 pastors and missionaries from across Japan and 400 delegates from 25 countries would be on hand for the Tokyo gathering.

Harvest in Berlin

ONE OF THE GREATEST, and almost untouched, harvest fields of the world is found in the teeming thousands of refugees from Eastern Germany who have sought asylum in Berlin.

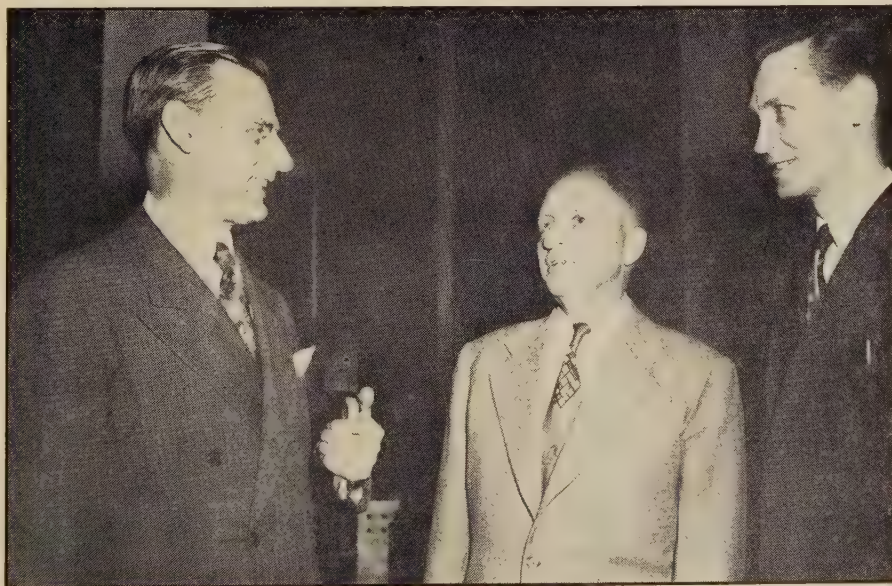
In West Berlin alone there are 86 refugee camps with populations that reach as high as 5,000 for a single camp.

Yet the number of missionaries to these needy throngs is pitifully small.

One American couple, Paul and Marilyn Haueter, have found plenty of opportunity for witness in these ready-made missionary centers.

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Communist party," Haueter wrote. "After a disagreement with party leaders, the man fled for his life as a political refugee. In one of our meetings he came to know the Lord.

"We were surprised the other night when we went to the refugee camp where he lives to find it barricaded and surrounded with a police guard. We learned later that an attempt had been made by Communist operatives to murder our friend because he knew too much."

Italy Steps Up Anti-Mission Drive

IN AN APPARENT effort to halt the flood of evangelical missionaries which has been flowing into Italy since the war, the Italian Minister of the Interior has, since the first of the year, notified 27 missionaries, representing six different organizations, that they were "invited" to leave Italy within periods ranging from 48 hours up to 60 days or that their present residence permits would not be extended.

Among those who received such notices were one missionary of the Southern Baptists, who has long been recognized by the Italian government, as well as three missionaries of the Independent Faith Mission, two of the Italian Gospel Association, three of the Mediterranean Christian Mission, four Pentecostal missionaries, one of the Slavic Gospel Association, and seven independents, including Rev. and Mrs. Anthony Caliendo, of the Evangelical Bible Institute of Naples.

Of the 27 receiving such notices, only two, the Calandos, have actually returned to the U. S. Caliendo had launched personal appeals to Italy's Prime Minister, Alcide deGasperi, to President Eisenhower, and to the new U. S. Ambassador to Italy, Mrs. Clare Booth Luce, without result.

Eleven of the other missionaries have resorted to crossing the border into France or Switzerland, returning to Italy with the usual three-month permit given to tourists. Six others have received extensions, after making new applications, while only three, those of the Independent Faith Mission, have not yet received any answer to their requests for further extension.

"We do not believe that the main purpose of this maneuver has been to actually expel all the evangelical missionaries now in Italy," said Rev. Raymond C. Whitlock, Jr., one of those who is still without permission. "But the Italian government has found a very effective way to discourage those organizations which only recently have been planning an increased missionary program for Italy."

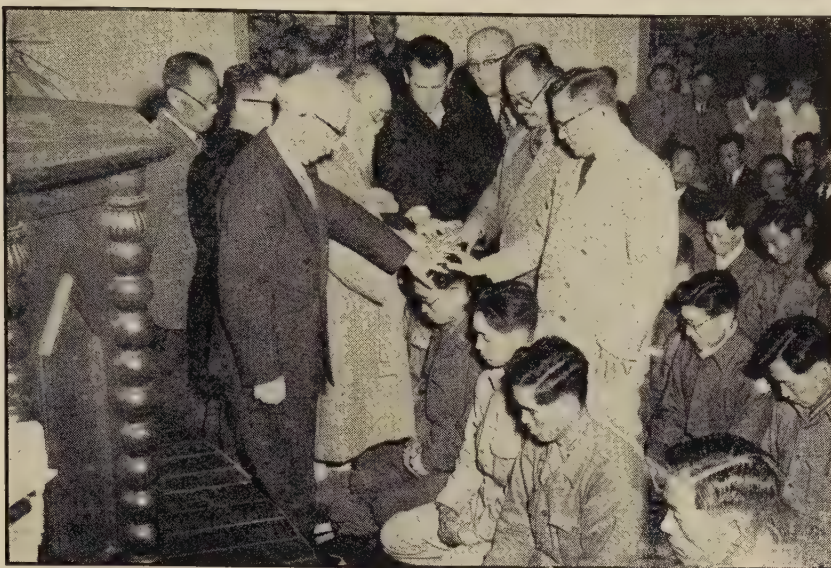
German Reds Ease Church Fight

IT WAS ALMOST more than the Protestants of East Germany could believe but their leaders were frankly admitting that German Communists had finally ended their bitter fight on the church.

Chief developments were:

1. A nine-point agreement covering most of the open conflicts between the Protestants and the East German Reds was announced jointly by Communist Premier Otto Grotewohl and Bishop Otto G. Dibelius, head of the Evangelical Church in Germany.

2. The politburo of the East German



OMS leaders take part in ordination of 22 ROK chaplains

ROK Builders of Tomorrow

by Douglas Bushby

THE recent establishment of a full-fledged chaplaincy program in the ROK fighting forces promises to be an important force for righteousness in that nation's future development.

I attended the ordination ceremony of 28 ROK Army chaplains conducted by officials of the Oriental Missionary Society in the Korean Holiness Church at Pusan.

It was an impressive scene. The young chaplains sat cross-legged with bowed heads. The solemnity of the moment caused many of them to wet the ground with their tears. They were impressed by their being entrusted with the spiritual future of Korea's young manhood.

The ordination charge was given by a bearded Korean patriarch garbed in flowing robes. This elderly saint is the only surviving member of the OMS leaders of Seoul. He escaped death by hiding three months in a cave after eight other leaders of the OMS church had been martyred.

"Men should live to do nothing but spread the Gospel," he told the new chaplains. "Repentance is the needed message of today."

Cold figures do not present the terrific need in the hearts of Korea's youth, yet it is true that 75 per cent of the ROKs have registered no religious background at all. About 7 per cent in the Army indicated they were Christians. The percentages for the Navy and Air Force were 10 and 15 per cent respectively.

Evangelization of the ROK defense forces is a gigantic assignment, but the newly appointed chaplains are well fitted for this task. They are men who are willing to die for their faith. Many of them have narrowly escaped torture and death at the hands of the Communists. A Methodist chaplain de-

scribed the fate of one of his fellow seminary students named Kim Tae Wun, who was captured by the Reds:

"He refused to renounce Christ and stop his witnessing to the Communists," the chaplain said. "They seized Kim and burned out both his eyes and cut off his nose. He died a martyr for Christ."

A Presbyterian chaplain told a similar story about a fellow seminary student:

"The Reds took Lim Chung Un into custody. After kicking and torturing him, they shot him in the back and threw his body in the river. Later the Communists took one of our professors, Pak Kyung Ku and drove nails into his head. Other students they stoned to death. They threw dozens of Christians into wells to die of suffocation as the wells were filled with earth."

These are the men who make up the ROK chaplaincy. They are men who have escaped the edge of the sword. They have endured cruel mockings, stoning and imprisonment, yet are strong in the faith.

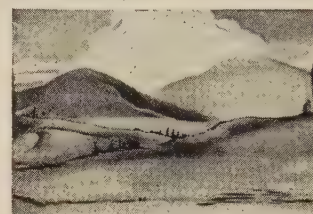
The ROK chaplains have completed high school and three years of seminary. They are given a month's instruction under U.S. Army chaplains and schooled in military procedure.

Already the ROK chaplains have won the confidence and affection of their fellow countrymen in the armed forces. On the front lines, the chaplains are the first to attend the sick and wounded men, tending to their physical as well as their spiritual needs. Men are being won to Christ regularly in the dusty hills of the front line. Through the rumbling of the Chinese artillery the Word of God has cut in the hearts of many Korean soldiers.

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Communist party issued a series of sweeping decrees designed to make the Soviet occupation zone more attractive for purposes of unification.

It was not immediately clear why the Reds had suddenly made an about-face in their policy but one church spokesman declared that discontinuance of the anti-church measures is "in line with comprehensive changes presently going on in the occupation zones of Austria and Germany."

Other observers speculated that world resentment against the anti-church drive may have induced Communist leaders to soft-pedal these attacks.

Red with Gun Loses Test

SALVATION ARMY Commissioner Herbert A. Lord describes how he defied with prayers an atheistic North Korean Communist with a gun—and won.

Commissioner Lord, one of a group of British civilians recently repatriated by the Reds told his story in London.

"Do you believe there is a God?" demanded the guard.

"Yes," replied the commissioner firmly.

"You are an intelligent, educated man and yet you believe there is a God?"

"Yes."

"And do you believe that this God answers prayer?"

"Yes."

"Well, we'll prove it. I am going to stand behind you and I want you to pray to your God and ask him to tell you in which hand I am holding this gun."

"I refuse to offer such a prayer—God is not a conjurer."

"And yet you believe He answers prayer?"

"Yes, and I am praying now."

"For what?"

"That He will give me grace not to lose my temper with you, and that if you decide to use your gun I may die like a Christian gentleman."

Commissioner Lord wound up his story:

"The Korean guard was silent and walked slowly away, leaving a greatly relieved internee."

► NATIONAL

Graham Buys Estate

EVANGELIST Billy Graham announced he has made a down payment on the \$300,000 Glen Eyrie estate near Colorado Springs and will soon launch a nationwide drive among Christian laymen for funds.

Graham said the property, covering 1,140 acres just north of the Garden of the Gods in the foothills of the Rockies, would become a religious conference center if the purchase is consummated.

He declined to disclose the amount of the down payment, but said the full purchase price must be paid by Sept. 30.

The evangelist said Dawson Trotman of the Navigators organization in Los Angeles would be director of the religious conference center if plans develop. He added that the Navigators will conduct training courses for young college and seminary graduates who plan missionary careers in the United States and abroad.

Glen Eyrie is the former home of the late William J. Palmer, founded of Colorado Springs and pioneer Colorado railroad man. It is now used as a summer home by George W. Strake, Houston oil man.

► FILMS

First Wide Screen Picture

THE FIRST wide-screen Christian motion picture has been produced for Bob Pierce by Dick Ross of Great Commission Films.

This Gathering Storm, as the revolutionary film is titled, describes the missionary adventures of Pierce in his recent journeys throughout the Far East.

Included in the picture are sequences dealing with Billy Graham's visit to the Korean battlefield and Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse's missionary trip to India when the noted Presbyterian Bible teacher and Pierce addressed throngs that reached 40,000 at one service.

Luther Film a Smash Hit

TO THE AMAZEMENT of professional theatrical people, a religious picture recently out-pulled all entertainment films in Minneapolis. In a 25-day "premier" showing, the new film *Martin Luther*, was seen by a throng of 91,197 people, theater officials reported.

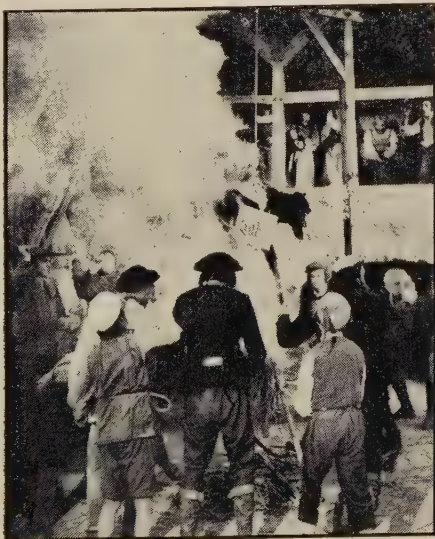
The theatrical weekly, *Variety*, headlined the amazing story of a religious picture attracting greater throngs than some of the biggest box-office attractions currently being shown in the Minnesota metropolis, including third-dimensional successes.

The film, produced by Louis de Rochemont Associates for Lutheran Church Productions, was scheduled to be shown at Hickory, N. C., following the Minneapolis sensation. F. Borden Mace of the de Rochemont organization said he was considering road-showing the picture before putting it into general distribution.

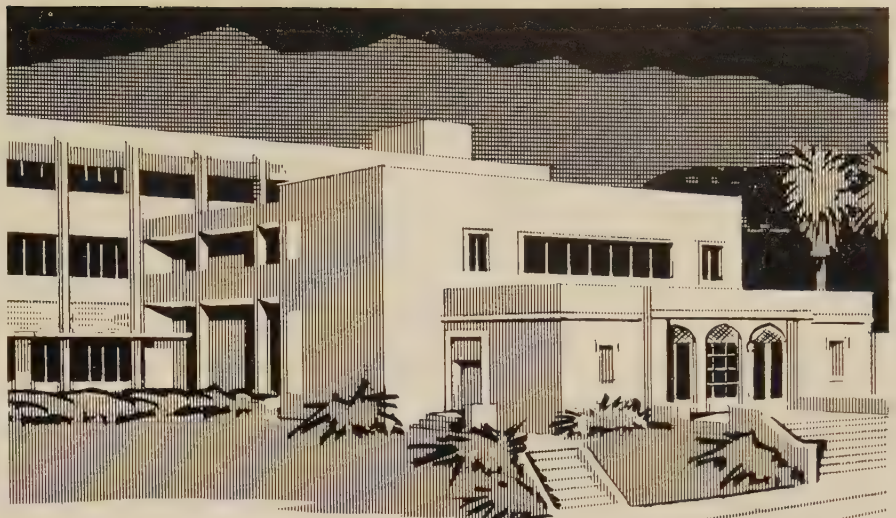
Push Films as Mission Tool

SOME IDEA of the Roman Catholic Church's awareness of the value of motion pictures as a tool for missionaries was revealed by the recommendations at the recent conference on "The Cinema and Missions," conducted at Valetta, Malta, by the International Film Office.

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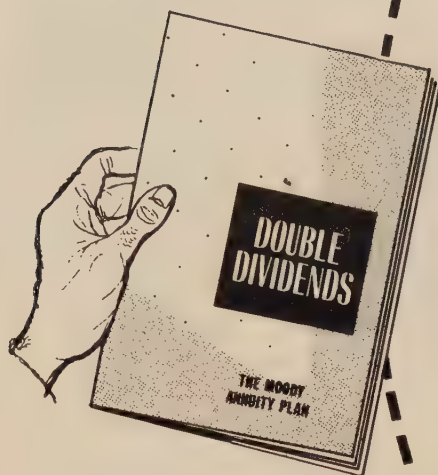


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C. L. Contest Inspires Film

PREMIER SHOWING of Central America Mission's film *Vision and Victory* last month in Dallas, Chicago and Los Angeles, outlined the tremendous impact of CHRISTIAN LIFE's International Sunday School Attendance Contest.

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For Sunday schools with an average attendance during the last year of 800 members or more.



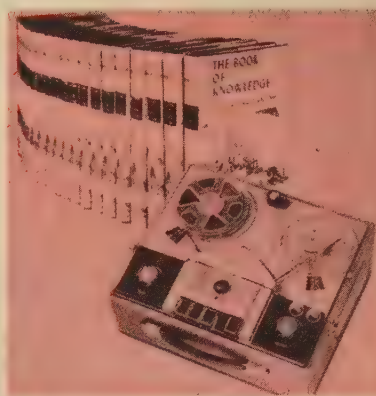
1st prize

Whittemore Stained Glass Window, SVE Slide and Filmstrip Projector

Whittemore offers a beautiful window for your church. Can also be used as a worship center by lighting from behind. 36" diameter, including sash.

For your visual aids department, the Society for Visual Education gives the School Master projector with a semi-automatic slide changer.

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2nd prize

Wilcox-Gay Tape Recorder, Grolier Society's set of The Book of Knowledge

Wilcox-Gay Corp. makes possible your keeping permanent records with the tape "Recordio," featuring the Prest-O-Matic push-button keyboard for easy operation.

Published only by the Grolier Society, a beautiful 20-vol. set of "The Book of Knowledge" offers a rich source of material.

Value \$299.45



3rd prize

12 Collegiate Junior Choir Robes, Master Addresser

Collegiate Cap and Gown Co. gives incentive for a junior choir. They offer 12 junior size choir robes in a faille material—21 colors to choose from.

A Master Addresser will ease your addressing problems. Imprints on envelopes, cards, folders, etc. Handles any size sheet.

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4th prize

25 Clarin Folding Chairs, 75 Tabernacle Hymn Books No. 5.

Equipment which a growing Sunday school needs are the attractive juvenile steel folding chairs which Clarin Mfg. Co. provides.

Made to last through wear and tear, 75 Tabernacle Hymn Books No. 5 are brought to you by Hope Publishing Co. in a beautiful waterproof vermin resistant cloth.

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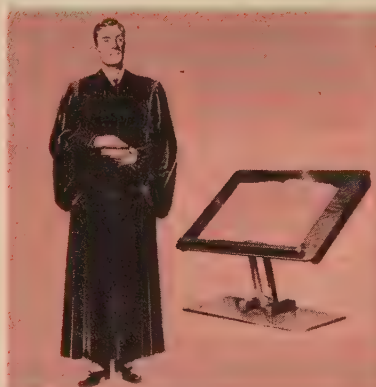
5th prize

100 Standard Hymnals, Monroe Folding Table

Enough to make you sing—Standard Publishing Co. awards you 100 "Favorite Hymns Revised." Beautifully bound for a great amount of use.

This folding banquet table which adjusts to any height between 20 and 30 inches is offered by The Monroe Company. It lends itself to a score of uses.

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6th prize

Bentley and Simon Pulpit Robe, Judson Press Portable Lectern

Bentley and Simon, Inc. allows you to make your selection of a hand tailored and custom made pulpit robe. Choice of styles and materials. Judson Press makes it easy to take it with you. A portable reading and speaking desk. Lightweight and adjustable. Easy to operate.

Value \$114.95



7th prize

Scripture Press Visual Aid Kit

Visual aids are important to any Sunday school. So Scripture Press combines into one kit just what you need. A most complete outfit including a folding easel and flannelboard, 22 Suede-graphs, 10 Gospel-graphs, 3 flannel maps, 12 flannel scenes, 7 yds. colored flannel, and 1 Flannelgraph Helps booklet.

Value \$100.63



8th prize

Norco Products Black-light Fixture and Chalk, Master Duplicator.

For your visual aids department Norco Mfg. Company offers a 15W-tandem Black-light fixture including 2 BLB lamps, Alzac reflector, cord, plug and set of chalk.

This portable Spirit Duplicator, complete with supplies, given by Master Addresser Co. will be an asset to any Sunday school.

Value \$62.40

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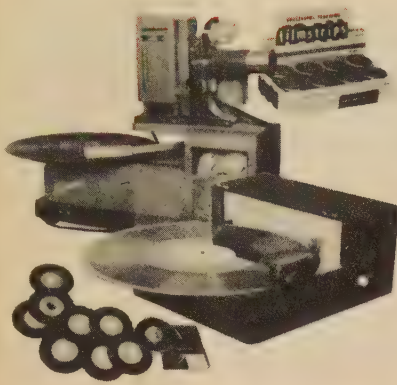
For Sunday schools with an average attendance during the last year of no less than 500 and no more than 799 members.

1st prize

DuKane Sound Projector and P.A. System, Moody Filmstrips

DuKane's 3-speed player with outlet for projector is easily adaptable. Stands in self-contained case with screen and storage compartments. Moody offers valuable teaching aids, "Successful Teaching" and "Sermons from Science" filmstrips. Teacher's manual and reference booklets included.

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2nd prize

Pentron Tape Recorder, Grolier Book of Knowledge

Pentron's Tape Recorder makes teaching and learning easier. Now shut-ins can hear the sermons too.

The youngsters' who's, what's and why's will be answered by turning to the Book of Knowledge. It's filled with vivid pictures.

Value \$299.00



3rd prize

25 Clarin Folding Chairs, Midwest Folding Tables, Westminster Bible Maps.

Clarin Juvenile Chairs will stand the wear and tear of an active growing Sunday school.

Midwest Tables are formed for maximum strength and durability.

Make Bible lands real with a set of Westminster Bible maps. Your teachers will welcome this new equipment.

Value \$181.30

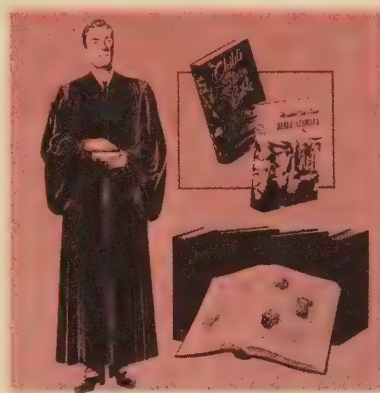


4th prize

Bentley and Simon Pulpit Robe, Set of Int'l. Standard Bible Ency. and Bible Books From Eerdmans Publishing Co.

Bentley and Simon will let you choose a hand tailored, custom made pulpit robe. And from Eerdmans you'll receive, The Intl. Encyclopedia, 6 copies Eerdmans' Child's Story Bible, 3 copies Marian's Bible Book, 3 copies "1001 Stories."

Value \$169.20



5th prize

Scripture Press Visual Aid Kit, Master Addresser.

The Scripture Press kit includes a folding easel and flannelboard, 22 Suede-graphs, 10 Gospel-graphs, 3 flannel maps, 12 flannel scenes, 7 yds. colored flannel and 1 Flannelgraph Helps booklet. The Master Addresser is compact, clean, convenient. No stencils, plates, ribbons, inks.

Value \$152.80



6th prize

A Warner Press Library and Textbooks, Mitchell Folding Table

Up to 50 copies of Warner's textbooks. Selected from titles such as "Solving Church School Problems." Library consists of Bible story books.

Mitchell's Masonite Top Table is clean and sanitary. Top is unmarred by nails or screws, and steel channel apron gives greater rigidity.

Value \$94.30



7th prize

Standard's Library of Handwork Materials, Master Duplicator

A library of handwork material comes from Standard Publ. Company, including coloring books, stencil books, etc.

A portable spirit duplicator complete with supplies given by Master Addresser Company. Operation is simple.

Value \$84.70



8th prize

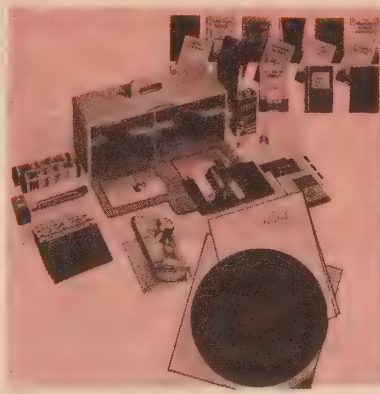
Morrison Records, Heyer Dupli-Kit, Judson Manuals

Morrison offers 10 choice Soundmaster Recordings including organ and chime selections.

Heyer's Dupli-Kit is a complete direct mail department in a package.

Judson tried lesson projects are concise, comprehensive handbooks. They spell better learning.

Value \$54.00



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For Sunday schools with an average attendance during the last year of no less than 250 and no more than 499 members.



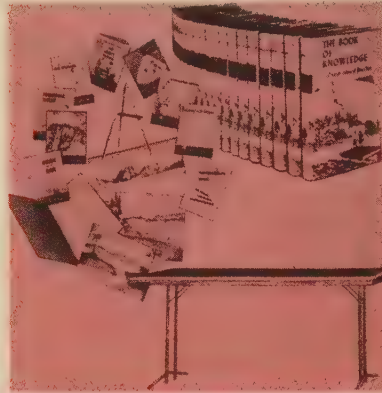
1st prize 50 Clarin Folding Chairs, Three Dimension Projector, Radiant Screen

Clarin Chairs are ideal for your Sunday school. They offer more in size, looks and all around value.

Three Dimension's model DSC projector is equipped for single and double frame film-strip and 2x2 slides.

And a Radiant DLS screen makes your equipment complete.

Value \$419.50

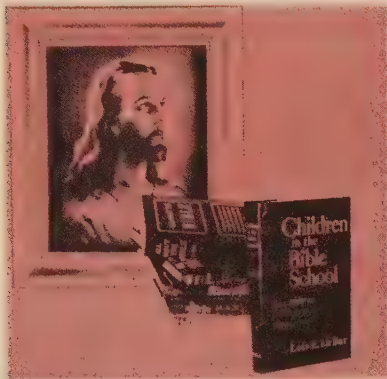


2nd prize Set of Grolier Book of Knowledge, 2 Monroe Folding Tables, Scripture Press Visual Aid Kit

The Book of Knowledge contains 7,680 pages in 20 volumes of facts. Vividly illustrated. Monroe's 30x72 folding tables will serve your many needs.

Scripture Press combines into one kit just what you need in visual aids.

Value \$287.03

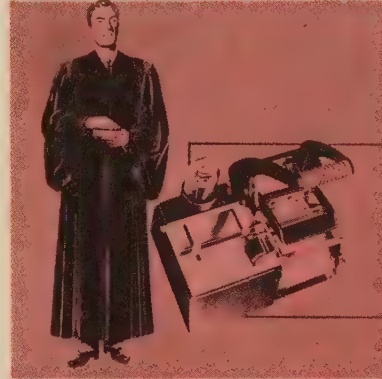


3rd prize Fleming Revell Books, Warner Press Picture

No longer will Sunday school teachers be at a loss. References, stories, object lessons, chalk talks and inspiring devotionals are included from Revell.

A new sense of reverence and awe will be felt in the room graced with a "Decoralite" 25x30" electrically lighted Sallman Head of Christ picture from Warner Press.

Value \$165.00



4th prize Bentley and Simon Pulpit Robe, Master Addresser

Bentley and Simon will give you the privilege of making your own selection of a hand tailored, custom made pulpit robe.

Printings from the Master Addresser last for 50 to 100 printings over a period of years. It's convenient, compact, clean and easy to handle and operate.

Value \$152.17

WHAT THE CONTEST CAN DO FOR YOUR CHURCH!

"The Contest was great fun and a wonderful stimulation to our church and community. It proved a great spiritual blessing and was the means through which our entire church organization became, in a new sense, "workers together with God." It brought out new avenues of service, and hidden talents among our members."

San Gabriel Union Church
San Gabriel, Calif.

"Congratulations for the wonderful success of the contest all over the nation. We at Glencullen are still thrilling to the many blessings our school is still experiencing as a direct result of the contest. We are about to launch forth on an extensive building program to provide more room for our large increase in attendance."

Glencullen Baptist Church
Portland, Oregon

"Since participating in the contest, not only has our attendance increased, but our people have developed an attitude of genuine friendliness. We have been

united in a close bond of unity and fellowship and have a new and greater value of our place in personal evangelism.

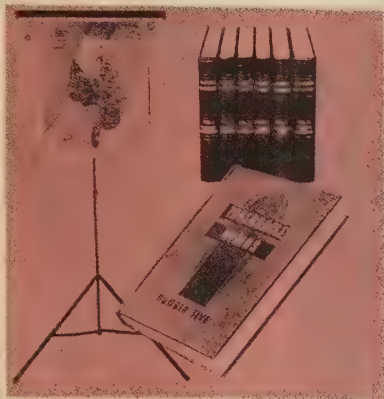
Nampa Friend Sunday School
Nampa, Idaho

"More was accomplished for our Sunday School during this contest, than has ever been accomplished during any one drive or contest in the history of our Church."

First Four Square Gospel S. S.
Toledo, Ohio

"I realized that the contest would do a great deal for our little church, but it accomplished much more than I had ever dreamed. Think of my surprise when the attendance even more than tripled. Not only did the contest have an immediate effect on the attendance, but a lasting effect. In such an effort at this everyone wins. We thank God for those brought to Christ because of the efforts and opportunities of your contest."

Flint Street Church of Christ
Bristol, Tenn.



5th prize

**100 Tabernacle Hymns
#5, Abingdon
Cokesbury commentary
and maps**

Tabernacle Hymns #5 come in beautiful waterproof vermin resistant cloth. Congregational singing with these hymnals is full of enthusiasm.

Sunday school teachers will welcome Clarke's Commentary on the entire Bible and set of maps from Cokesbury.

Value \$152.00



6th prize

**Standard Filmstrip
Library, Radiant Screen,
Warner Head of Christ**

You'll have a full visual aid program with Standard's library of 12 Biblicolor strips and 3 new Betty and Bob strips, in full color.

Radiant Screen shows the whole picture clearly.

Warner's framed oval Head of Christ, 26x32", is an aid to worship.

Value \$91.50



7th prize

**Sugar Creek Library,
Master Duplicator**

Sugar Creek Library includes 17 adult novels and 22 others, all personally autographed by the author, Paul Hutchens. They'll be well dogeared by your Sunday school teachers and pupils.

Master's easy to carry Duplicator requires neither stencils, inks nor gelatin. It's a pleasure to operate.

Value \$80.50



8th prize

**Heyer Corp. Dupli-Kit,
Eerdman's Int'l.
Standard Bible Ency.**

The International Standard Bible Encyclopedia saves time, stimulates thought and illuminates the Sacred Word.

Heyer's portable printer and addresser contained in Dupli-Kit, do an hour's hand work in 6 minutes. It's your complete direct mail department in a package.

Value \$54.90

THIS SUCCESS STORY CAN BE YOURS TOO!

"Our capacity was so overtaxed that we have used the pastor's home, yard, neighboring verandahs, and even the back lane, as well as every available bit of space in the church and grounds. We are delighted with the whole affair and feel we are deeply indebted to *Christian Life* for stirring us up."

Pentecostal Assemblies of God S.S.
Trinidad

All the way from Nigeria a Sudan Interior Mission Sunday School (a winner by the way) reports: "We have sought to do our best in this our first attempt and have enjoyed it right from the beginning. We believe that with a little more guidance and experience a great channel of blessing is before us."

Sudan Interior Mission
Oke-Ode vis Ilorin, Nigeria

We have no surfaced roads. In some instances roads that we do have "take to the creek beds." But the

first Sunday the attendance soared to 170, breaking (as far as we know) all previous records. For years our Sunday school has been rather stagnant, but we have come to life at last.

Oakdale Free Church
Oakdale, Kentucky

We had no idea the contest would bring such amazing results. I have never seen a better idea for putting so many people to work. It made everyone feel that to come to Sunday school is his responsibility and privilege and to tell someone is his duty.

Byrd and Hebron Presby. Churches
Goochland, Va.

"We are glad to know that your staff is praying for the various Sunday schools in the Contest and that the effort is Christ centered and soul winning is put in first place where it belongs."

Community Church
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

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For Sunday schools with an average attendance during the last year of no less than 100 and no more than 249 members.



1st prize

75 Clarin Intermediate Chairs, American Optical Co. Projector and Case, Radiant Screen

Clarin gives 75 beautiful chairs to meet your ever increasing needs.

American Optical's projector with carrying case is ideal for either color slides or slidefilms.

Radiant's DLS Screenmaster is constructed to give years of service.

Value \$424.50



2nd prize

12 Moore White Choir Gowns, 75 Hope Hymnals

Your choir will be robed in dignity with Moore's white "Warm Weather" choir gown ensembles for adults or children.

Hope's rich assortment of gospel songs make it a rare all-purpose book for every church and Sunday school activity. Beautifully bound in blue or maroon cloth.

Value \$291.25



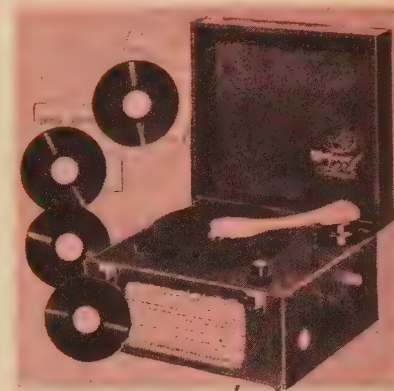
3rd prize

Higley Press Sunday School Material, Master Duplicator

Higley's evangelical material is based on outlines prepared by a staff of writers who know and love the Bible. Enough for 6 months.

Master's easy to carry Duplicator is a trouble-free operation. It requires neither stencils, inks nor gelatin.

Value \$182.50



4th prize

100 Super Recordings and Portable Phonograph

The Webcor "Lark" is a 3-speed manual with "big set" sound and performance. The 100 Super Recordings are really "super." Among the artists featured are Dan Hustad, Gerold Greenlee, John Peterson and Gil Mead, the Melody Mites, King's Karollers, Johnny Hope and His Joyfulaires and a host of others.

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5th Prize

Scripture Press Visual Aid Kit, Midwest Folding Table

A complete visual aid outfit presented to you by Scripture Press. Includes a folding easel and flannelboard, suede-graphs, Gospel-graphs, flannel maps and scenes, etc.

The Midwest Company offers you an attractive masonite top, 30"x72" folding table. Convenient for a score of uses.

Value \$132.53



6th prize

Master Addresser, Standard Board and Easel and Pict-O-Graph material

Printings from the Master Addresser last for 50 to 100 printings over a period of years. It's convenient, compact and clean.

Any Sunday school teacher would be overjoyed with Standard's library of 20 sets of Pict-O-Graph material with handy board and easel.

Value \$92.62



7th prize

Super Sound Records, Audio Master Record Player, Judson Chalkboards

Super Sound Records promise hours of genuine joy and inspiration.

Audio Master is equipped with 3-speed motor, twist arm and 2 needles. It's portable too for easy carrying to Sunday school.

Two green Judson Chalkboards, 18"x24" and 24"x36".

Value \$69.10



8th prize

Sugar Creek Library, Vari-Color Mini Post Card Duplicator

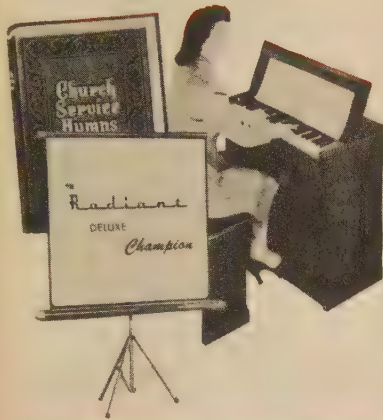
The Sugar Creek library includes 17 adult novels and 22 others, all personally autographed by the author, Paul Hutchens. A real treat for Sunday school teachers and pupils.

You'll call Vari-Color's Mini Post Card Duplicator a miracle worker. It prints 3,000 copies.

Value \$61.50

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For Sunday schools with an average attendance during the last year of no less than 25 and no more than 99 members.



1st prize

Estey Folding Organ, Radiant Screenmaster, 100 Rodeheaver Hymnals

A gem for your Sunday school is Estey's compact, portable, 4 octave motor operated organ with mahogany finish.

Radiant assures you excellent projection with the "KC" De Luxe Champion.

These hymnals from the Rodeheaver Hall-Mack Co. are useable in all services.

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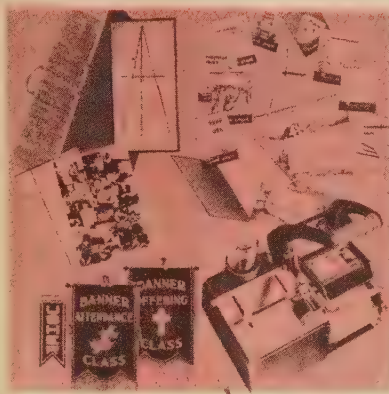
2nd prize

50 Clarin Folding Chairs, Midwest Folding Tables

Once again Clarin Mfg. Co. offers their sturdy, durable "juvenile" steel folding chairs. 20 chairs for ages 6-7 and 30 chairs for those 8-9.

Midwest's attractive folding tables can be used in any Sunday school department for any purpose.

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3rd prize

Scripture Press Visual Aid Kit, Master Addresser, Judson Press Sunday School Helps

Scripture Press Kit is the most complete set imaginable.

No stencils, plates, ribbons or ink are necessary with Master Addresser.

Judson's flannelboard and easel, handcraft booklets and set of banners and usher badges are choice items.

Value \$174.65



4th prize

Monroe Folding Tables, Sugar Creek Library, Judson Press Sunday School equipment

Two attractive folding tables from Monroe will serve your church well.

Sugar Creek books include 17 adult novels and 22 others. All autographed.

Judson's bulletin blackboard, record books and register board mean efficient operation.

Value \$141.75



5th prize

Baker Publications, Master Addresser Duplicator, Midwest Folding Table

Hitchcock's Topical Bible, Cruden's Concordance and 11 vol. Barnes Notes from Baker will grace any library.

Master's easy to carry Duplicator is a trouble-free operation.

Midwest tables are formed for maximum strength and durability.

Value \$131.25



6th prize

Standard Bible Pictures and Books, Mitchell Table, 12 Lindner Battery Candles

Standard materials are choice Sunday school items.

Mitchell's Masonite Top Table gives satisfying quality service.

Lindner's safety candle with no flame or drippings are ideal for services.

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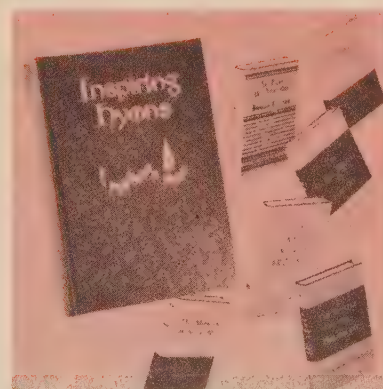
7th prize

50 Hope Song Books, Judson Sunday School Equipment

Hope Publishing Co. offers "Songs of Hope" beautifully bound.

Judson's loose-leaf guest register is a sturdy four-ring binder. Ten learn-while-you-play Bible games and wood register board complete with 14 slides and 6 sets of numbers are welcomed items.

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8th prize

25 Van Kampen "Inspiring Hymns" 5 Baker Publications

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Value \$53.75

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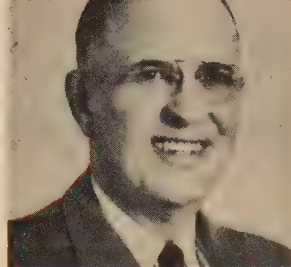
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See March 1954 CHRISTIAN LIFE for complete list of prize winning schools and the story of God's blessing on their efforts.

rules

1. CHRISTIAN LIFE'S attendance contest (open to all evangelical Christian Sunday schools) covers the six-Sunday period of October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 1953.

2. To insure fairness in comparing results achieved, Sunday schools will be classified according to size: Class A schools—average attendance of 800 or more for the fifty-two Sundays from October 1, 1952, through September 30, 1953. Class B schools—average attendance of 500 to 799 for the same period. Class C schools—average attendance of 250 to 499; Class D schools—average attendance of 100 to 249; Class E schools—average attendance of 25 to 99.

3. Judges will score entries on the following bases: 50% of total—percentage increase in average attendance for the six contest

Sundays in 1953 over average Sunday attendance for October 1 1952, through September 30, 1953.

20% of total—amount of visitation preceding and during Contest. 30% of total—additional promotional effort displayed before and during the course of the contest. Present these activities in a scrapbook or notebook enumerating committees, teacher training classes, neighborhood surveys, publicity and promotion, pupil participation, program techniques and other contest effort carried on by your Sunday school. Please include snapshots or photographs and samples of newspaper ads and Sunday school newspapers, blotters, dodgers, etc.

4. CHRISTIAN LIFE arranges for delivery of prizes only to winners within the United States. Winners outside the United States must be responsible for duty, entry permission, and any other details necessary for the receipt of their prizes.

5. Departure point for the grand prize tour is New York City.

6. A complete list of winners will appear in the March '54 issue of CHRISTIAN LIFE Magazine.

7. Contest entries must be postmarked before midnight of December 31, 1953, and become the property of CHRISTIAN LIFE Magazine.

8. Decisions of the judges will be final.

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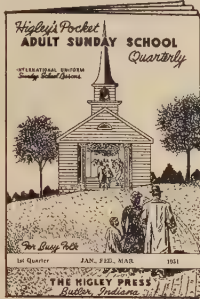
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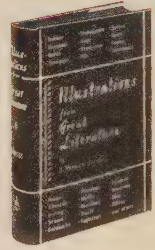
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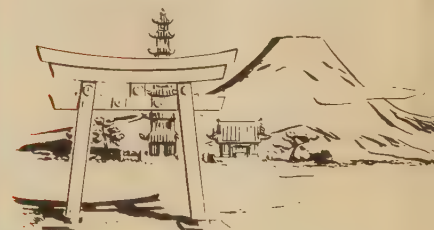
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Oct. 25, 1950, when Justice Charles A. Walsh accepted the Providence bid of \$331,001 over the \$331,000 bid of the Order of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart.

New Dean at King's College

DR. F. DEAN BANTA, of Buffalo, has been named dean of the faculty of The King's College, according to Dr. Perry Crawford, president of the Delaware school.

Banta, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Buffalo, has been engaged also in teaching and laboratory research in higher education and administration at the University of Buffalo where he recently received his doctor's degree in education.

He received his master of arts degree from the same institution, previously attending Gordon College, Houghton College and the Bible Institute of Los Angeles.

The King's College has recently completed a complete revision of its curriculum and Banta has been chosen to administer the new program which is to be inaugurated during the fall term.

MISSIONS

New Victory in Toronto

WHEN DR. OSWALD J. SMITH conducted the annual missionary convention in The People's Church of Toronto, which he serves as pastor, the offering amounted to \$262,000, the largest ever received. More than 4,000 people were present at the two Sunday services.

Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, Dr. Leland Wang and R. G. LeTourneau assisted in the event. The church will continue to maintain its 315 missionaries and send out another 25 this year, the pastor declared.

PEOPLE

Arthur McKee Dies

DR. ARTHUR W. MCKEE, executive director of Winona Lake Christian Assembly, died June 7 at his home in the Indiana conference center. A nationally known composer and song leader-soloist, McKee had directed the conference grounds since 1938 except for a two-year period when he was ill.

Turlock's Christian Mayor

THE CITY OF TURLOCK, Calif., is fortunate in having as mayor a Christian with a good testimony in the community.

He is Enoch Christoffersen, member of Bethel Temple and an active Gideon.

Christoffersen, who is serving his second term as mayor, recently won a lot of newspaper headlines and favorable editorials for his one-man campaign to encourage California cities and towns to open their council meetings with prayer. This is the practice followed in Turlock.

EVANGELISM

'Christ for Everyone' in 1953

THE "CHRIST FOR EVERYONE" campaign will be repeated in the fall of 1953, according to Dr. Horace F. Dean, president of Christ for America, the sponsoring organization.

In the fall of 1952, thousands of pastors and churches cooperated to conduct simultaneous evangelistic services during the month of October in various parts of the U. S. and Canada.

Chairman for the effort in the U.S. is Dr. Charles E. Fuller, of the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour broadcast. Premier E. C. Manning of Alberta will head the 1953 campaign in Canada.

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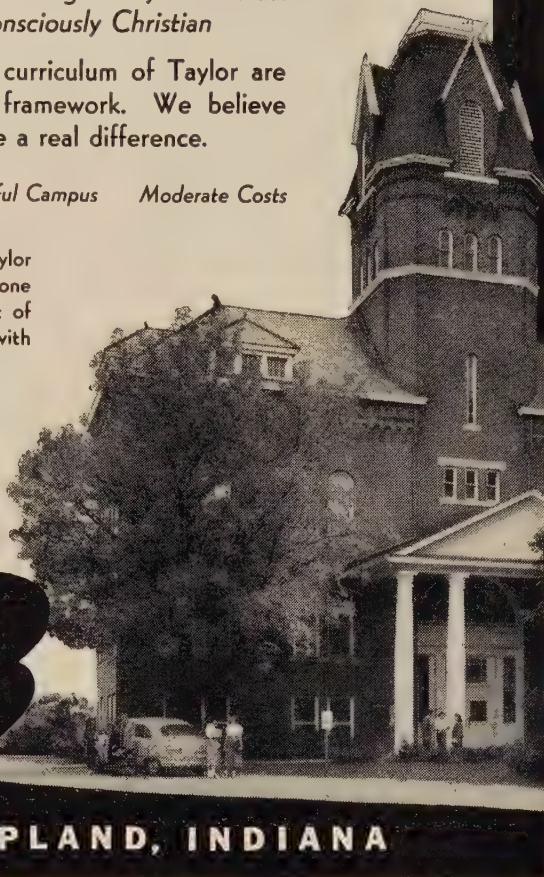
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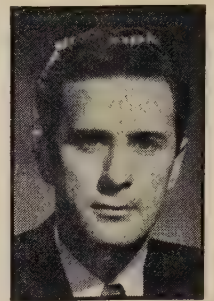


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Churches, has indicated he is going to leave his NCC post. Later his superiors said they won't accept his resignation.

Templeton wired his resignation to NCC headquarters in New York while conducting an evangelistic mission in Louisville, Ky. He explained that he was not reaching the people he wished to under his present arrangement and wanted to work among youth, university people and young business men because "the future of America lies with them."



TEMPLETON

For the last two years Templeton has conducted missions in various centers of the U. S. and Canada, addressing some two million people in that period.

A controversial figure, Templeton recently declared in Minneapolis that the evangelism of the fundamentalists has "fallen into error" because it "equates certain phrases with the Gospel."

Speaking at an evangelism conference, Templeton listed these phrases as "accepting Jesus Christ as personal Savior," "the blood of Christ," and "born again."

"If I repeat these phrases, I am regarded by the fundamentalists as sound," he declared. "I may not have preached the Gospel at all. If I don't use these phrases, I am regarded by the fundamentalists as a modernist."

"True evangelism which brings men to Christ," Templeton went on, "is not controlled by emotion. It is true that the emotions of men and women must be stirred, but there must also be a commitment of the will and there must be information for the mind."

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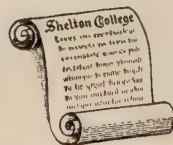
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LITERARY APOSTLE

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numerous letters telling of Jews who have recognized Jesus Christ as their Messiah through these Scripture expositions.

Cooper never dreamed what lay ahead when he founded the Society at the bottom of the depression. But he felt certain that he and his wife and their elder son were doing God's will in devoting their lives to reaching the "lost sheep of Israel." The work now has over 80 branches in the United States and distributors in 11 countries, sponsors a weekly radio program, and publishes a monthly magazine.

Distribution of Cooper's books has increased steadily, through donations of friends and members of the Society. These friends, sold on the value of the literary method of evangelizing Jewry, send in names of leading Jews to whom the Society mails out the first of the seven books in the "Messiah Series." Succeeding books are sent at monthly intervals.

Approximately 2.5 million books have been sent to Jews. In two decades, only a few recipients have rejected the books. One man tore up the book and returned the pieces. Another burned the book and mailed the charred remains back to Los Angeles.

In contrast, the Society has received hundreds of cards and letters from Jews expressing appreciation for the books. One Jew testified that he put the first three books received on the shelf, unread. But the fourth one, *Messiah: His First Coming Scheduled*, looked so interesting that he couldn't resist it. Now he has read the entire set. A few years ago a list of 1,000 rabbis in the New York area was received, and all of them were sent the set of Cooper's books. All books are sent without charge to Jews, but Christians pay the full price.

But books are not Cooper's only interest. He conducts a weekly radio program, the "Biblical Research Hour." Not designed for a large, popular audience, his lectures consist of Bible studies beamed to Jews and Gentiles who want to delve into the profound matter of relating Old Testament and New Testament records.

For more than a quarter century, Cooper has lectured throughout America in colleges, churches, and at such conference centers as Winona Lake and Cedar Lake, Ind.; Montrose and Rosedale, Pa. and Lime Lake, N. Y. Monthly prophetic conferences are held at the Society headquarters, and the *Biblical Research Monthly* is mailed to subscribers in 23 countries, including several in Israel.

It is far more difficult to win Jews to Christianity today than it was in apostolic times, Cooper believes. "Through

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the centuries, the leaders of Judaism have built up prejudices which the apostles never faced," he says. However, he sees a hopeful sign in the general breakdown of rigid orthodoxy. "Though they have largely given up the divine scriptural teachings of the Messiah's divine nature, the Jews have never lost their interest in the great Messianic hope," he continues. "But a Jew cannot look with an unbiased mind at the New Testament. He has been taught from childhood that it is a forgery. Our job is to remove the colored glasses of error from his eyes. This is best done by approaching the New Testament through the Old Testament."

Because of the deep-seated Jewish prejudice against Christian Scriptures, the Biblical Research Society does not distribute New Testaments wholesale, but prints portions in each of the books mailed out. Cooper is making his own translation of the New Testament, giving special care to quotations and references from the Old Testament.

Despite his accomplishments, David L. Cooper is more impressed with the job ahead than with the work already done. He is modest—almost to the point of shyness—even after many years of public speaking.

His conversion when he was 18 and call from God produced this ambition to preach.

In 1912, Cooper took two important steps, he married his college sweetheart and went to Louisville, Ky., for special Bible study. Later he enrolled at the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville. To support his bride, he taught manual training in the public schools half days and sold flour from door-to-door on Saturdays. But always on Sunday, he preached.

As his family increased—two girls and two boys—and the press of studies and constant money worries multiplied, young Cooper was often tempted to give it all up and take a secular job, with preaching as a sideline. But his wife always had an encouraging word. "If God called you to preach, He is not calling you to quit," she would say.

In 1924 he enrolled at the University of Chicago Divinity School for intensive study in Semitic languages. Professor Cooper was after a Ph.D. degree, but after two years at Chicago, he faced one of his bitterest disappointments. Though he had completed the resident work for the Ph.D. degree with top-notch grades, the head of the Department of Semitic Languages of the Divinity School, which was dominated by men Cooper considered as "modernists," told him not to bother to write a thesis.

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of Chicago gave Cooper his credits, and he later transferred them to the Southern Baptist Seminary which honored him in 1930 with its Ph.D. degree.

In 1926, Cooper was chosen to head the Jewish department of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles. Sensing a lack of scholarly Christian literature for the Jewish intelligentsia, he determined to fill the need. His first book, *The Eternal God Revealing Himself*, was written "to show from Old Testament Scriptures that Jesus is Israel's long-desired Messiah."

When the Los Angeles Bible Institute closed its Jewish department in 1930, Cooper faced a crisis in his ministry. Twelve hundred dollars had been given to him, unsolicited, by friends who wanted his Jewish work continued. Not wanting to be responsible for such a large sum, he asked a group of close Christian friends to join him as stewards of the money. "That, under God, was the beginning of the Biblical Research Society," he affirms.

Two immediate objectives were planned, 1. to find historical evidences in chronology, and 2. to find secular mentions of Christ or Christianity in contemporary history. In Cooper's estimation, chronology is a major key to understanding the Bible. Although some

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other Bible scholars may consider his views on the subject somewhat dogmatic, he usually is able to back up his assertions with solid scholarly reasons.

As his books poured from the presses, Cooper had opportunity for correspondence and interviews with hundreds of leading Jewish jurists, professors, scientists, merchants, physicians and rabbis. They expressed their great interest in Cooper's biblical interpretations. One internationally known rabbi asked for Cooper's books for the library of his synagogue, in order that his congregation might read them.

In the beginning, the Biblical Research Society had its offices in the Coopers' living room. In 1946 when new zoning restrictions prohibited such business offices in a residential area, the Coopers began the task of locating low-rent office space in the post-war "tight" real estate market.

In 1950, just 20 years after its founding, the Biblical Research Society moved into a new \$80,000 headquarters in the Verdugo Hills section of Los Angeles, just east of the famous Forest Lawn. Well-housed and equipped at last, the 14 staff members enthusiastically carry on the many phases of the Society's work.

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spondence and personal interviews with thousands of Jews, many of them in important positions, he is careful never to mention their names. The Society refuses to endanger its enviable reputation among the Jews by capitalizing on its contacts. Jews respect and appreciate this attitude, which increases their confidence in the integrity of Cooper's writings.

Occasionally some Jews think that Cooper must be Jewish himself, due to his great knowledge of the Hebrew Scriptures and writings, history and customs. Some have accused him of being a "turncoat rabbi." A Jewish artist told him that after reading the series of books, he was sure that Cooper must be Jewish. But he soon changed his mind when he learned that Cooper's eldest son is "David L., Jr." He said, "Now I know you're not Jewish, for no Jew would name his son for himself."

David L. Cooper Jr., is vice president and business manager of the Society, and the business and church leaders on the board of directors have asked him to prepare to take over when his father is no longer able to carry on the work.

Learning is a life-long process for Cooper. He still reads several books every week. His wife, who has learned to tolerate her husband's zeal for studies, says he often takes a book along to the grocery store and reads while she does the marketing. She says with a twinkle in her eye, "My brother tells me I thought I was marrying a preacher, but he turned out to be a walking encyclopedia."

Mrs. Cooper is amazed at her husband's tireless energy, for he often works far into the night, putting his latest findings and thoughts into the Dictaphone, which, she says, is "his favorite toy." Her only impatience with her husband is that he doesn't take enough interest in his clothes. She wants him to look correct for his speaking engagements, but finds it an almost impossible task.

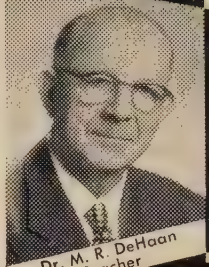
Cooper is an avid reader of the latest books and periodicals, constantly seeking new material to better illustrate and prove Bible texts. He is a careful student of archaeology and the other work being done in Bible lands by the American School of Oriental Research, the American Foundation for the Study of Man and other scientific groups.

At the present time, Cooper's number one project is completion of the fifth book in his "Messiah" series, *His Historical Appearance*.

As he looks back on the last 23 years, Cooper can remember the words of Thomas a Kempis, "If he shall not lose his reward who gives a cup of cold water to his thirsty neighbor, what will not be the reward of those who, by putting good books into the hands of their neighbor, open to them the fountains of eternal life?"

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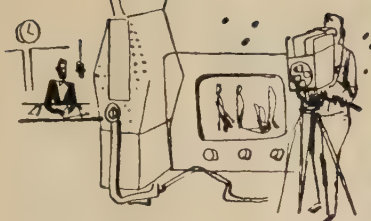
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THE Pittsburgh Sunday Sun-Telegraph stated that "thousands were reported around a Pittsburgh auditorium with 3,000 inside when Percy Crawford, the television-radio preacher and his associates presented a program of preaching and religious music. People began arriving hours before the program time and waited patiently. When all the seats filled, a second auditorium room was opened and filled as the crowd began milling outside the doors. "Whether the Crawfords could have drawn this attention in a city as outwardly materialistic as Pittsburgh before the age of television is questionable. Nevertheless, they did draw the crowd with little advance promotion and it was one of the biggest crowds ever to attend such an indoor affair in the Steel City."

■ More than half of the home radios in the country are located outside the living room, an analysis of Nielsen Coverage Service reveals, showing 42 per cent of radio sets in living rooms, 26 per cent in bedrooms, 20 per cent in kitchens, 5 per cent in dining rooms and the remaining 7 per cent in other parts of the house.

The Children's Gospel Hour is now on 104 stations. These broadcasts are being presented in the United States, Australia and around the world by short wave from HCJB in Quito, Ecuador, and over DZAS in Manila, Philippines. This broadcast began in 1945 on one station. The program is produced with junior age children of different churches with their recording equipment in an evening service.

They record the programs with the stations that broadcast it and use the local station engineer and announcer. Each week a group of children from a different city or state is heard. Listeners enjoy hearing children from the various parts of our country for their accents are distinct and interesting. The stations broadcast the program as a public service. According to Henry C. Geiger, hundreds of stations have offered time to broadcast the program if tape recordings could be supplied.

■ Radio Revival has continued for more than 25 years in Dallas, Texas. W. E. Hawkins is the director of this radio ministry and founder of the Bible Lovers League of America, Inc. Five secretaries are on full time and two others on part time.

It embraces other branches such as The Bible Distributors League, The Little Tots, The Bible Searchers, The Home Builders and The Chapter by Chapter. These five leagues, each representing a distinctive Bible ministry, are combined in the radio ministry of the Bible Lovers League of America.

■ The Light & Life Hour is now being heard over the ABC network, seven independent stations in Canada, and by short wave around the world on 13 transmitters. WENR, Chicago, is at the top of the 25 best mail-pulling stations. Dr. Myron Boyd, director and speaker has pledged 1,000 churches, 5,000 homes and 100,000 individuals who will pray earnestly for a mighty revival from September 1 through December 31. His messages during that entire period will be strictly evangelistic, building the entire half hour with its music geared to winning souls to Christ. Many thousands have requested prayer for loved ones, neighbors and friends.

■ The Assemblies of God is sponsoring a new broadcast over radio Ceylon, 100,000 watts, by the Colombo Gospel Tabernacle. This program, entitled, "Introduction to Life," is a 30-minute presentation reaching India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon. In addition to these great areas, the broadcast is receiving real response from Palestine, Egypt, Africa, England, Denmark and Sweden. Reports confirm that this new radio testimony is being honored of the Lord with the salvation of many sinners and the reclaiming of backsliders.

■ The First Annual Television Workshop was held at the Pasadena Playhouse, Calif., June 29 to July 11. The workshop was designed to give a thorough professional understanding of the television industry. Leading NBC, CBS, Paramount Network and local TV executives and technicians conducted the workshop as instructors or guest lecturers. Courses covered every important phase of the industry and its relation to other fields of culture. Clergymen and laymen associated with religious organizations were invited to attend. The workshop was designed to provide a broad understanding of the television industry and practical knowledge of TV operations.

■ Pennsylvania State Senate initially has approved three bills to set up a state educational TV system. The Senate Educational Committee earlier endorsed the bills. One bill would authorize the General State Authority to build TV stations in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, State College and Erie. Channels for educational TV outlets in these cities have been reserved by FCC. The second bill would empower the Superintendent of Public Instruction to supervise the educational program on a state-wide basis. The third bill would give school boards the same authority, at the local level.

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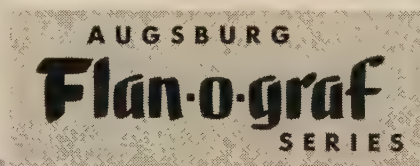
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BLIZZARD BRAWL

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"Rogetti's in trouble. I've got to get to him," Rex said.

"Say, you're dead serious, ain't you?" The face of the man behind the counter sobered and he added, "What makes you think you can get your semi through when Rogetti failed to?"

"Not thinking of using the semi. That'd be suicide. I'm asking to use your jeep though. Four-wheel drive, isn't it?"

"Yeah. Four-wheel drive. Plenty power all right. But it's all open. No protection. You'll . . ."

After some persuading, Rex won. Since he was accustomed to the cumbersome bulk of the multi-tonned semi, the jeep seemed like a toy. But it was an energetic toy, pushing its way stubbornly forward against the wintry barrier.

"Oh, God," he prayed, "I feel so much like a traitor. A simple little test came my way today and I failed."

Through the biting, slapping wind and snow he drove. The jeep, rearing as though it were angry, plunged on with a dogged persistence. The snow was drifting fast now and he wondered how long he would be able to continue.

Though the headlights on the jeep were powerful, they didn't help much. It was difficult to see through that dizzying, relentless swirl. The jeep rocked along like a tossing rowboat precariously dipping and tilting in its advance.

The mileage meter on the dash indicated that he had driven six miles. Six miles. It seemed like 60. Then, just ahead, Rex saw it. The back of the big semi, heavily caked with snow, was barely visible. But there it was, with all its power and massiveness, stalled and helpless. The snow and wind danced in victory around it.

Rex pulled the jeep to a stop, swung around and backed up close to the semi. As he stepped to the ground, Rogetti's voice broke through the cold wind. "Hey, Mister, am I glad to see you. I'd about given up."

"Rogetti," Rex exclaimed. "I came out to get you." His words were almost lost in the howling wind.

"Martin . . . Rex Martin." Rogetti gasped in stunned alarm. "So you . . . you came all the way out here to 'get' me. You never give up, eh? Well let me tell you something, tough guy. Someday you'll meet up with something you can't lick with your fists." As Rogetti spoke he backed cautiously along the side of his truck to the cab. When he reached the door, he opened it without taking his eyes off Rex. Reaching inside, he felt around on the cab floor. When he withdrew his hand, it clutched a heavy wrench.

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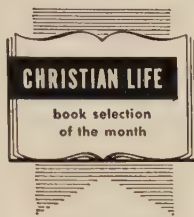
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With Robin, strength of body and mental improvement came the hard way; to barely exist was a struggle.

But Robin's mission to earth was higher than merely to contribute health and mental achievement to society or add another loving face to the Rogers' household. Hers was a momentous undertaking. It was to draw some of God's children, especially her famous parents, to a closer walk with the Lord. How effectively she accomplishes her heavenly task is the thesis of this brief but beautifully written book.

It is the mother who writes the epic, but she writes as though Robin were relating the story—for it is her story—telling it to her heavenly Father upon her entrance into eternal glory.

As the daily labored pilgrimage of this handicapped "angel" unfolds, a conflict rages in the minds and souls of her anxious parents. The age-old problem of suffering of the innocent in the light of the Almighty God of love and mercy is now very real and personal to the "house of Rogers."

The struggle, however, is not exhausted in mere psychological reasonings. It is spiritual, deeply spiritual. It is a heaven and earth battle—God is in it! And when God is in it, the warfare continues until the bitter end is reached. Ultimately, there must be total defeat or total victory!

As Robin spreads out her precious testimony, many valuable lessons for effective Christian living are revealed. There are the ever present sins of worry and human pride, the constant need for patience, and the Christian duty of putting first things first. Resting majestically on the summit of the lessons taught in this book is that of prayer.

Robin quotes her mother as praying, "God, is it Your purpose to heal my baby?

If it is, I'll use that healing to Your glory, and all the rest of my life I'll tell people about it, everywhere I go.

"But if that isn't Your will, and what You want, then give me strength to meet it, Lord. Strength to face the future and to finish what Robin has started in all our hearts in this house, strength to get her message across to the world. Just strength, Lord, for whatever You have decided."

Oceans of theologically sound, homiletically formed prayers lie limp when placed beside this victorious prayer of humble submission to the will of the Lord. When a loving mother yields unconditionally her supreme treasure, her child, God's grace has broken through.

Another expression of spiritual growth made by the author is voiced when Robin relates these words of her mother, "I heard mommy say one day that she was coming to believe that the only important thing in this world was a person's relationship to God and his faith in Jesus Christ. Then she said she was actually grateful to You for sending me in my handicapped condition, because I had made her walk closer to You."

While it is true that this book gives rise to some theological questions, due partly, no doubt, to the non-technical language used in the story, it is also true that in this brief testimony lies a pure, scriptural, universal yet decidedly personal message. It is a message which will cause love to flow to the Rogers' family, to the Lord they have come to know and trust, and will be a solace and source of spiritual strength for today's earthly conflict. The particulars of the story may be soon forgotten, but the burden of the message is of the Lord—it will live on and on.

The book is for the bereaved, the soul-sick, the anxious, the confused. The truth is, the message is for all people everywhere.

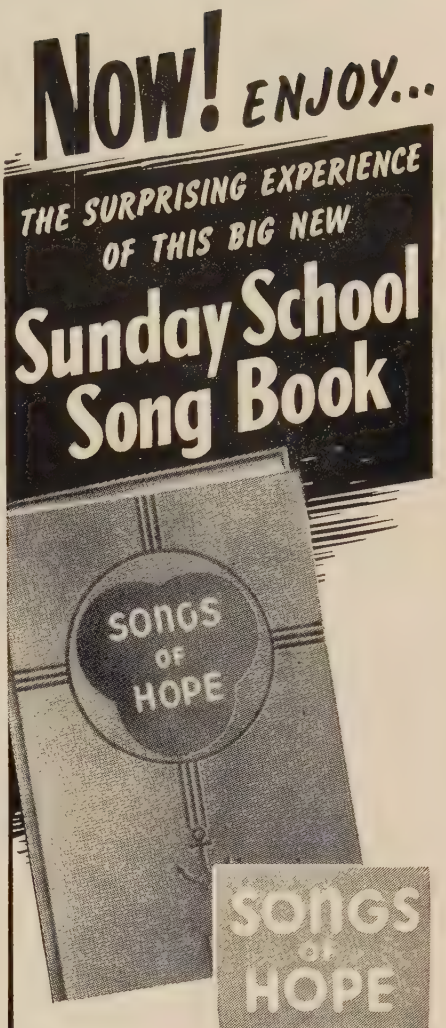
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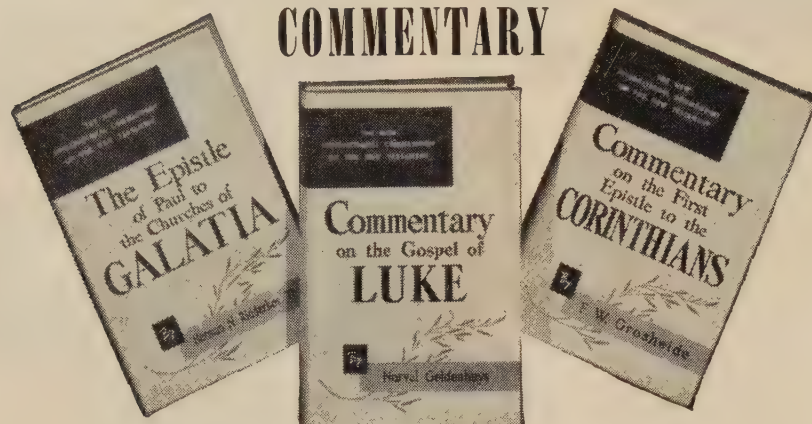
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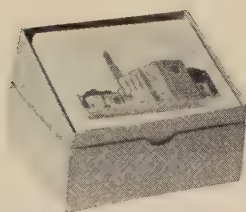
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COMMENTARY ON THE FIRST EPISTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS. By F. W. Grosheide. Eerdmans. 415 pages. \$5.

Keeping pace with the high standard set in Geldenhuys's *Commentary on the Gospel of Luke*, Grosheide here provides the student of the Bible with a reference work which is excellent in every way.

In less than six pages, the author unfolds his introductory remarks which relate the main thrust of Paul's argument, which, in turn, conditions the reader's mind for the exposition of the text.

The exposition reveals the epistle as having one central idea—that Christians have liberty, but this freedom must be ruled by the principle of love extended toward God and their neighbors.

As stated above, this volume matches in scholarship the first published work of *The New International Commentary on the New Testament*. These two books, however, also have their dissimilarities. Whereas Geldenhuys uses the *Revised Version* (1881) for his text, Grosheide resorts to the sister text, *The American Standard Version* (1901).

In the matter of "foot notes," the volume on Luke groups them at the close of each explained passage. Grosheide, on the other hand, discloses them at the bottom of the page on which the need for further elucidation occurs.

The manner of exposition also differs with these two writers. Geldenhuys in the main records his findings, or the results of his study on each passage, whereas Grosheide ushers the reader into the inner sanctum of "this is how we obtain these results." That is to say, in the body of the commentary, one, for the most part, reveals the fruit of his study, while the other reveals both the fruit and his study.

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Philosophy of Religion

THE RETREAT FROM CHRISTIANITY IN THE MODERN WORLD.

By J. V. L. Casserley. Longmans, Green & Co. 177 pages. \$2.75.

This is a very interesting and enlightening book. The author demonstrates how modern man has "retreated" from Christianity to some substitute way of life. This retreat takes the form of either irreligion, such as rationalism, science, or humanism, or religion, such as natural theology, comparative religion, or political religion.

The various types of retreat are treated with unusual skill. The author is at home in his field of investigation.

His treatment of the modern political religions are of general interest. This is not the old humanism but something far

more significant. In the political faiths the attributes of God are transferred, not to humanity in general, but to the personality of the leader.

Stalin took the place of God in Marxist devotional literature; in Germany "the incarnate character of Hitler was stressed by the performance of Hitler nativity plays in Catholic villages," and today in Yugoslavia in place of the typical Bethlehem scene there has appeared pictures of Tito, captioned with the words, "In the beginning was Tito." The author shows how the man-god of political faiths has been put in the place of the God-man of Christianity.

The author continues his investigation from the points of view of recent theology, sociology and psychology.

Evangelicals will be pleased to hear the author assert that "the mounting evidence provided by archaeology tends, perhaps even more emphatically, in the conservative direction, more particularly in the case of the Old Testament, but not insignificantly in that of the New."

However, the book in its entirety is not to be praised. While the author's analysis of the "retreats" is excellent, his own understanding of Christianity leaves much to be desired. It is not the traditional Christian faith of the Bible which interests him so much as the Christianity which has enriched itself out of all the cultures of the past and which now, through the great missionary effort is "busy enriching itself out of the valid and important contributions to knowledge and philosophy which can be derived from contact with non-western culture.

One suspects that the learned Casserley has made a considerable "retreat" from New Testament Christianity himself. Nevertheless, here is a "must" for the reading list of every Christian leader; it is a book which every alert Christian will read with much profit and delight. (Reviewed by Warren C. Young.)

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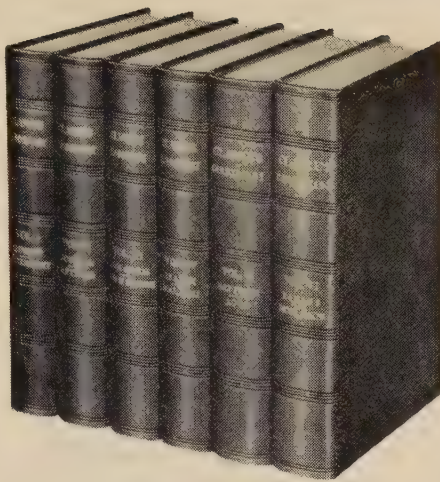
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The bulk of the material found in this famous work deals with the early Christian martyrs. By way of introduction, information is related concerning the over-all contents of the book, the life of John Foxe and a short history of the life of Christ.

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With some exceptions, this book contains material gleaned from the writings of John Foxe. Foxe read of persecutions, he witnessed persecutions and he felt the very jaws of persecutions. He was well qualified to formulate a thesis on the subject.

Frankly, this is not enjoyable reading; it will cause one's blood to run cold. Yet, it should be read by young and old alike. It is a commentary on the sinfulness of man.



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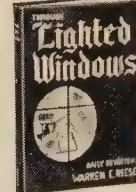
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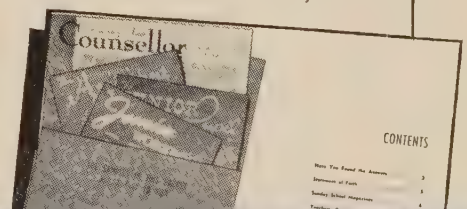
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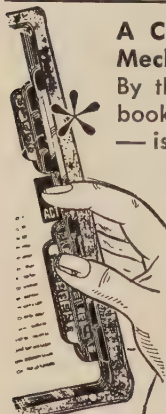
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BLIZZARD BRAWL

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"You come any closer, Martin, and I'll nail you with this." His black eyes, squinting out through narrow slits, told Rex the man was desperate with terror, like a cornered animal fierce with fear.

"Put that thing down," Rex commanded, starting forward. "Don't be . . ."

Rogetti raised the weapon in defiant warning. "I'm telling you, I'll nail you. I mean it."

A strained, tense stillness settled as each man tested the other's nerve. The mocking wail of the wind swept down between them and over the silent, invisible fence of friction separating them.

Rex could only stand in speechless perplexity. How could a man be so . . . so disgustingly ridiculous. Wasn't there some way to convince him.

"Come on, Rogetti," Rex tried again. "Let's get out of here while we . . ."

A sudden, fierce thrust of wind choked off his words and spiraled the snow all about him. It lasted only half a minute or so, but when Rex could see again Rogetti was not there. Then Rex caught sight of him scrambling madly toward the jeep. In his hurry, Rogetti tripped and fell sprawling full length.

Rex spun and started after him. He gained while Rogetti got to his feet again. When Rogetti, still gripping the wrench, reached the jeep, Rex was only feet behind. Making a final exerted lunge, Rex managed to scurry up onto the back of the jeep just as the wheels turned.

Rogetti saw him, cut the motor, whirled around and swung the wrench wildly. "Get outa here. Ya hear me? Get outa here or I'll . . ."

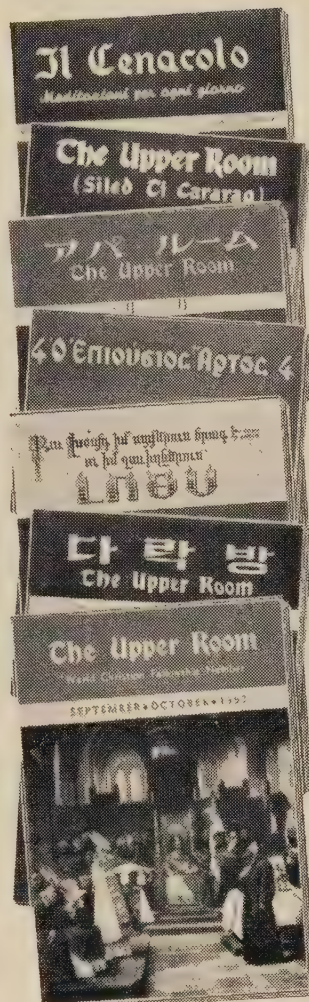
As Rex ducked the blow he felt his temper rising. His fists knotted and he began to dodge and weave. This was just like being back in the ring again. Why if any opponent in the ring had aggravated him the way Rogetti had tonight he'd have finished him off quick.

Then Rex remembered what had happened once before that day. It mustn't happen again. "Please, God," he pleaded, "don't let it happen again." Even if he lost to Rogetti, Rex knew he had to win over his worst enemy, his temper.

It was so small, that jeep, smaller than any ring. Not much room to dodge a swinging, savage wrench. And the biting wind kept pushing him off balance.

Rogetti swung again. This time he misjudged the force of the wind and fell over the side of the jeep. The wrench flew free of his grip and sank into the snow ten feet away. Rex leaped down, pounced upon the ominous black instrument, gripped it and turned to face the charging Rogetti. Only Rogetti was not charging. He was lying motionless,

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seemingly paralyzed with terror. His eyes were pleading, searching wells of fear.

"Don't do it, Rex. Don't do it. Don't lose your temper again, please. Not with that wrench in your hand. My family... the kids, Rex, think of them. I lost my head, that's all. I should have known better. Please..."

Rex stood motionless and smiled. Right into the face of the biting wind he smiled. He knew that he had won the most important battle of all. He felt it deep inside even before Rogetti spoke. He had realized it first, he thought, before he had jumped out of the jeep. He had known then that he wasn't going to use the wrench nor his fists again. Somewhere there in a moment of triumph Rex had become master... master of Rex Martin. No, he had become a complete servant of Christ.

Then Rogetti noticed it, too, and the haunting horror left his face. "What are you gonna do? You're smiling. Well, go ahead. If you're not going to slug me, what are you gonna do?"

Rogetti struggled slowly to his feet. He was amazed. Rex raised the wrench and hurled it toward the back of the jeep.

"I came tonight to apologize," Rex

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said, extending a friendly hand.

"You mean you're not gonna..." Rogetti still couldn't believe it. "You mean you came out all this way to save me from this blizzard. And you're not even mad because I wanted to kill you with that wrench."

"That's right," Rex assured him. "And anyway, Rogetti, I've wanted to have a talk with you. I wasn't concerned only about saving you from the blizzard. But what I want to talk to you about is..."

"If it's about what I think it is," Rogetti replied, "it wouldn't have done any good before tonight."

The two men came together in the bluster of the storm and shook hands. "Before tonight?" queried Rex. "How's that?"

"Because I didn't think your religion would stick... not with you."

"But..."

"I know," broke in Rogetti. "I'm convinced now. You're a changed man, Rex. If that religion can make a hot-head like you level-headed... I'm ready to listen."

Together they turned toward the jeep. The men turned their collars up high and tightened their jacket belts. There was a dangerous journey ahead of them.

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A novel plan for Sunday school victory



Ship Ahoy for the BIG Contest Race

THE gangplank's down and Sunday schools from far and near are climbing aboard for the Sixth Annual International Sunday School Attendance Contest.

But in case you have a few landlubbers who are reluctant about swabbing the decks or enlisting a hale and hearty crew to help your school win the grand prize, here's a Sunday school contest idea which will get your ship sailing.

The suggested contest theme this year is a steamship race around the world. With a little pushing by your crew your Sunday school can make the trip in the six Sundays of the International contest.

Of course, you'll need a map to chart your journey. A local store, your publishing house or your Bible bookstore can supply you with a good size world map.

The trip will start under the Statue of Liberty in New York City and end under the Golden Gate Bridge of San Francisco. First stop is Liverpool, England, about 5,000 miles from New York. Another 5,000 mile jaunt will set you at Tel Aviv, the port for Israel. The third stop is Calcutta, India, 5,000 miles from Israel. Then 6,000 miles farther will bring your ship to Manila and another 6,000 miles to Hawaii. The last 3,000 miles you can coast into San Francisco.

The impelling force for your steamship is your Sunday school attendance. First,

figure your average attendance for the past year. By taking one typical Sunday for each of the preceding 12 months and then obtaining the average of those 12 Sundays, you can arrive at an approximate average rather easily.

To determine the distance traveled during one Sunday of the contest, divide this Sunday's attendance by your average attendance and multiply by 3,000. This gives you your mileage for the week.

For example, if your Sunday school average attendance was 240 and this Sunday's attendance is 320, your percentage for this Sunday is 133 per cent. Multiplying 133 per cent by 3,000 will give your school 4,000 miles traveled for the week.

Varying the 3,000 mile figure, by which the percentage is multiplied, will accelerate or retard the rate of speed your steamship will travel each week. You can change your speed in this manner, if your ship is circling the globe too rapidly or too slowly.

To add to the weekly interest, the Sunday school departmental periods can feature missionary material from places you are nearing on your steamship race. The second Sunday, stories about life in Palestine will tie in, when you land at Tel Aviv. The third Sunday, information on India will increase enthusiasm for your contest as well as for the mission field. The fourth Sunday, at Manila, an ex-serviceman

might tell his experiences either in the Philippines or in Korea. The fifth Sunday might have a Hawaiian twist. Someone with an Hawaiian guitar could be featured. And the final Sunday, you will, of course, stage a celebration at San Francisco.

Such Bible stories as Jonah, Paul's Shipwreck, Noah's Ark or Christ on the Sea of Galilee, are appropriate any time.

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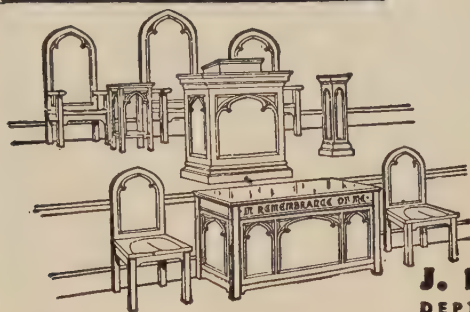
Some Sunday schools might wish to form a miniature Navy within their ranks. Promotions from apprentice seamen up through the ranks to admiral could be won by recruiting new members in the Sunday school. Cloth stripes could be economically made to designate promotions. Special awards such as a motor boat ride could be awarded at the end of the contest.

There are dozens of gospel songs and choruses to use in connection with sailing the sea. "We're Sailing Home," "Wide, Wide as the Ocean," "Throw Out the Lifeline," "I Will Make You Fishers of Men," and "My Anchor Holds," are a few.

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by Eunice Fischer,
Scripture Press Consultant

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out foot-work doesn't pay.

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people are busy and only slightly interested
in ringing door bells. Here is a simple
procedure that will help set your people
afire with the scriptural method of going
out into the highways and byways.

First, the pastor and general superin-
tendent must be sold on the project. Per-
haps they have asked you to oversee the
coming visitation campaign. The three of
you should get together for two 30-minute
advance meetings either on Sunday eve-
ning before church or Wednesday evening
before prayer meeting. At your first get-
together have a time of prayer and talk
over initial plans. Then later draw up
your plans and meet together again for
their advice and prayer support.

Since the pastor is in on the plans, he
will push it from the pulpit. This is vital.
Since the superintendent knows the details,
he will push it at teacher-officer meetings
and in the adult department.

Set dates for the visitation campaign,
mimeograph forms and plan a Visitation
Kickoff Night the week before your project
actually starts.

For three weeks before your Visitation
Kickoff, insert notes in the Sunday bulletin
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Publicity Pointers

by Isadore Thorne

SUNDAY school contests don't work in our church." The reason why, in 90 per cent of these churches, is because the membership never gets enthused about the contest. And the best way to create enthusiasm is by good solid publicity.

Publicity means work, more than anything else. Even a Sunday school with a virtual vacuum of talent can do a good publicity job if its members are willing to work.

The first step in proper publicity is prayer. Talking to God about the contest and asking His blessing upon each endeavor is essential in reaching boys and girls or men and women. As the Holy Spirit convicts men, they will be urged to attend; under further conviction their souls will be touched. Without that conviction our Sunday school contest is fruitless and valueless.

The next best publicity is by word of mouth. If the publicity chairman becomes excited about the contest among his friends, the excitement becomes contagious and the entire Sunday school will soon know.

Striking posters strategically placed in the various church departments will arouse anticipation too. Letters and postcards, personally addressed to Sunday school members, stressing their individual responsibility, can also play a big role. Letters should be brief and to the point; they should convey the same enthusiastic expectancy on paper that had previously been expressed orally.

Vital to the success of every contest is the cooperation of the Sunday school staff. Our fellow Sunday school workers must be made to feel that they are co-laborers; if the entire area is let "in the know" by the time they are, they will doubtlessly resent it.

When the groundwork has been laid in the Sunday school, so that all teachers and then pupils are made to share in the contest ministry, then vigorous publicity can be launched outside the church.

Once again it means more work. Posters made commercially can be displayed in store windows of prominent merchants in the community. Periodically these posters must be reviewed to determine if they are still being displayed and if they are still attractive.

Our visit to the local newspaper comes next. Prior to the visit, we should gather facts concerning the contest and the Sunday school. Also we should know about all materials and photos available for publication. At the same time advertising space can be purchased in the paper. Editors know that the church which is willing to buy advertising space wants to do a business-like job.

A talk with the newspaper editor will clarify matters for both parties and each will know what the other would like.

Newspaper advertisements are an essential part of the contest too. Most papers have advertising layout men who will assist

in planning the advertisements.

If a Sunday school parade is planned for the contest, the newspaper editor will appreciate knowing all about it. Perhaps their photographer will want to cover it himself. An effectively staged Sunday school parade can be one of the biggest boosts to Sunday school contest publicity. But a slipshod parade can discourage the workers and bring discredit upon the Sunday school's ministry. Care should be taken to do a good job.

Shortly before the contest we can profitably use publicity gimmicks. Especially among the children, blotters, tickets, handbills, buttons, armbands and many other things can spotlight the contest. Handbills dropped from airplanes also attract attention, but some city ordinances rule against this. A safe idea is to contact local authorities to determine the legality of any questionable publicity stunt.

Blotters, tickets or buttons passed out near public school grounds can pave the way for the Sunday school children to invite their playmates to attend their church.

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Things To Do This Month

JUST to keep you on your toes, we're passing along these reminders so you'll not miss a thing which may help you on your way to the top in CHRISTIAN LIFE's Sixth Annual Sunday School Contest.

1. Fill out coupon at end of special Contest Supplement for your official entry blank to the CHRISTIAN LIFE contest. (page 37)

2. Roundup all church school workers to inform them about the contest. The pastor or Sunday school superintendent should send out a memo outlining plans. Set a date for an early meeting to appoint committees.

3. Committees should immediately begin to lay the groundwork. Usually at least five are needed to do an adequate job.

4. Publicity committee should be preparing mailings, first day releases, announcements for local paper, posters for public schools, stores, etc.

5. Finance committee should set up a budget. First day awards should be purchased as well as necessary equipment and gimmicks to carry on the contest program.

6. Organize a personal workers class which should meet every week to pray for all new students and especially those who make decisions. They should know how to deal with them.

7. Purchase materials well in advance, extra Sunday school quarterlies and papers, considering possibilities of quantity orders to reduce cost.

8. Have a supply of gospels of John on hand for all new students and those who will be making decisions during the contest.

9. Begin mapping out community for visitation work. Take a census.



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USING tractors and mules for transportation and a cotton patch for their auditorium, the Church of God of Jefferson, S. C., grabbed first place in the class D division of the 1952 **CHRISTIAN LIFE** International Sunday School Contest.

One year before, the Sunday school workers were happy with an attendance of 90. The white church in the little South Carolina town was almost filled to capacity.

So when Superintendent J. L. Oliver and Pastor John Cody began talking of a goal of 500 for the Sunday school contest, townsfolk were a bit amazed. Part of their amazement was because the total population of Jefferson is only 539.

Teacher training classes were organized. With the slogan, "Your cooperation harmonizes our operation," they worked hard.

More than 300 personal visits were made. With posters plastered around town, handbills distributed, radio announcements broadcast, and earnest petitions prayed, the staff was ready for the contest.

Farmers got out their mules and carts or tractors and wagons and piled the neighborhood on them. The first Sunday the attendance hit 350. When the Sunday school filled the church, the children spilled over into an adjoining cotton patch.

On the second Sunday the attendance zoomed to 512. Even the cotton patch was crowded and three nearby homes were used for class rooms that week.

Before the final Sunday the Church of God launched a parade through Jefferson. Never before had so many people gathered together in the little town.

More than 100 cars, including the state highway officer, the county sheriff and the city police department, participated.

Then came Nov. 9, the last Sunday. Superintendent Oliver and Pastor Cody thought the people would never stop coming. Mule and cart, horse and wagon, tractor and trailer, automobile after automobile and bus after bus hauled their loads to the cotton patch. One farmer said he hauled 264 people with his tractor.

When the count was finally taken, the attendance had soared to 812, 273 more than the entire population of Jefferson.

Oliver and Cody couldn't believe their count until they looked back in the cotton patch and saw the mammoth crowd again. Jefferson, S. C., had never seen anything like it before.

During the morning service the pastor had to preach from a tractor trailer to the congregation in the cotton patch.

Later when the contest committees caught their breath, they discovered that because of the contest there were at least nine conversions, almost \$2,000 was raised on a new church, all financial obligations had been paid and the Church of God had become the leading church in the area.

But today if you ever pass through Jefferson, S. C., you won't find the little white frame church. For as a result of the Sunday school contest they had to build a new church. They made sure that they have enough Sunday school space in it for this year's contest.

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Christian Life Contest Calendar

1. Show the possibilities of the contest to your Sunday school and church leaders. Present its value and the tremendous spiritual gains and attendance increases to be had through it. After a decision has been made, entry blanks should be secured immediately for **Christian Life's Sixth Annual Sunday School Contest**, Oct. 11 to Nov. 15, 1953.

2. Committees should be chosen at once to lay the groundwork. The publicity committee especially will need time to prepare mailings, advertisements, flyers, special events, posters, parades, radio and newspaper announcements, etc.

3. Start visitation early. You'll need time to make return calls and do follow-up work. Begin at least two or three months in advance—now!

4. The finance committee will need to be on the job early also to purchase awards and extra equipment.

5. With a good early start enabling you to take care of all the necessary preliminaries and details, the first day, Sunday, Oct. 11, should be a howling success. Be sure you

make it well known via the local paper, church bulletin, public schools, stores and a parade or some public display, if possible.

6. The contest is on! All the committee should be in full swing, taking care of their particular programs. Publicity, visitation and personal work should continue throughout the period, Oct. 11 to Nov. 15.

7. A special feature should be planned for the third or fourth Sunday, Oct. 25 to Nov. 1, to avoid any slump and to keep the enthusiasm and interest high.

8. Plans should be underway for the final day of the contest, Nov. 15.

9. A final release should be sent to the local paper immediately after the close of the contest giving names of winners, etc.

10. Send in your contest scrap book early, making sure to record photographically as much of your contest effort as possible. The deadline is Dec. 31.

11. Continue on with follow-up work to keep every new pupil and visitor contacted during the contest.

Secrets of a Growing Adult Class

by Josephine Cook

THE secrets of a growing class are many and varied. First of all, the teacher is the hub of the group. The class must come first with her.

During her lesson preparation she may ask herself, "What can I find here that will comfort Mrs. Jepson, who has just lost her son in Korea?" "Is there help here for Mr. Sward who has been deprived of his eyesight?"

It isn't enough for her to draw the general application, she must give each person something to think about during the week.

However the teacher can't assume the whole load. Not much happens in the lives of persons who come together just to hear a lecture. It is through shared experiences with men and women, who fellowship with God in their every day existence, that one increases his own faith and spiritual strength. Thus discussions on Christianity, personal living, the home and local church and economic problems will bind a class.

Worship contributes in a large way to the growth of a class. The worship service affords the members an opportunity to commune with God as a group.

In each adult class there should be someone responsible for this period. There are many resources available for worship, such as an attractive worship center containing an overhead picture of Christ, candles and a Bible.

A collection of appropriate hymns, poems and articles from religious magazines will be found helpful for the devotional hour. Through study, the class discovers new meaning in worship. It learns the truth and seeks to impart it to its members so that they can make it work.

A class grows through service too. If

one desires to be helpful, he will try to understand others' needs and to offer assistance. Jesus said, "For whosoever would save his life shall lose it: and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it" (Matt. 16: 25). Experience has taught us the truth of this teaching. When a class is interested in a cause which concerns others, each participant has a strong feeling of belonging and sharing.

The adult class may help solve the problems of the community. The opportunities are unlimited.

A must in the growing adult class is the membership committee. It is its backbone. However, while it is important in its function, it cannot bring in the new members. A class might well adopt the motto, "Each One, Bring One," and then develop the fellowship membership idea.

A fellowship member takes on the sponsorship of a new member. He welcomes him into the group, introduces him and makes him feel at home and sees that he gets to class and church meetings. He also ascertains the new member's interests and has him assigned to some small task. Thus the new member soon realizes he is more than a number and name on the class roll, he is an individual—beloved for his own sake.

The adult class must be aware of its place in the adult division of the school. It must be ready at all times to serve in the church and to unite with other classes for a stronger and more effective program of Christian education for adults. And finally, it must become a great evangelistic, missionary agency of the church and realize that friendship, cooperation, worship and a common purpose to serve God make for a growing class.

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by Karl Tauber

THE crowning day to any contest is the day the awards are given. Children will work hard for a small token of recognition. Even adults like to be recognized.

A young lad was nearing his seventh year Sunday school award pin for perfect attendance. He was taken sick during the week, but when Sunday came, he went to Sunday school to keep from losing the award and marring his record.

The desire to be a winner and to be recognized is a basic drive. The desire is more for recognition than some expensive award. But still many teachers face the problem of finding a suitable award at a reasonable price.

A very inexpensive award, that you can make yourself, and which can be adapted to any occasion, is a personalized Bible bookmark. They have an appeal because they contain the name of the person as well as the occasion and the date.

To make these markers you need access to a mimeograph, typewriter and pinking shears. In addition, a stencil, scotch tape, enough 2 1/4" ribbon to make as many awards as needed, and the same number of 8 1/2 x 11 sheets of paper.

With pinking shears, cut the ribbon into 9" lengths, cutting the bottom on the bias and the top straight.

The next step is to fasten the ribbon to the paper. This must be accurate—each one the same. Draw a line 3 1/8" from one edge and mark 1/2" down from the top. Line the ribbon on these two marks and fasten top and bottom with scotch tape.

The next step is to make the copy on the stencil. By using Huxley letters, tall and narrow, you will be able to get more copy in less space. Your copy could run like this:

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Now you are ready to run. Be careful not to over-ink. Before you run any ribbons, put a blank piece of paper through. By placing this paper, with the copy, in front of one with a ribbon and holding both up to the light you can see if your copy is centered on the ribbon. Hand feeding will be better than automatic.

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by Eleanor Sheets

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Do others have to squint their eyes and



The camera represents the Christian.

look long to see that you are a Christian? God's Word tells us, "Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold all things are become new" (II Cor. 5:17).

What about your life? Do you profess to have Jesus Christ as your Savior, and still hold on to sin? Is it hard for others to see that you are a Christian?

Or, is your life like this new camera, bright and shining? You read your Bible every day. You pray much for others. You have the joy in your life which the other testimony did not have. You really live close to Jesus. You are a bright, clear, shining picture. Others just look at you and see the love of Jesus shining in your eyes. You are a soul winner.

Don't you want to be like this new camera and picture? Why not, right now, just where you are, bow your head, and ask the Lord to forgive you for neglecting Him and His Word. Ask Him to help you to have a good clear testimony that others will see that you are a Christian right away.

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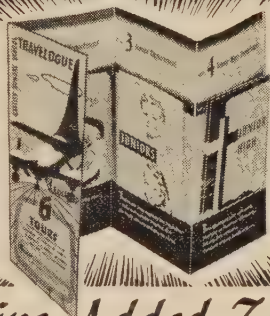
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A good transportation director, however, will not be content with what has been done before. He will investigate other areas to see if transportation from there will bring more children to the Sunday school. And because of his important role he should be a part of committee meetings concerned with the Sunday school's expansion and certainly he should be a part of the regular teachers' meetings.

Secondly, he must figure the type of transportation necessary. Church men's automobiles should be used. But the men chosen to drive must be good drivers. One accident can upset the entire transportation program. Also the men chosen should have cars large enough to make driving practicable.

If many pupils live in a concentrated area, it might be wise to rent a bus. Many churches feel that to purchase a bus is a valuable investment over a long period of time. Actually the advisability of buying a bus for the Sunday school depends on the individual situation. But it should be carefully considered.

After the drivers are chosen, they should be informed to report directly to the transportation director. If they are forced to be absent, if their car becomes overloaded with children, or if some other difficulty arises, the transportation director should be contacted. Then he should be prepared

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by Raeburn Wallen

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Another successful method has been the co-teacher situation. Neither teacher is the assistant, but each has a responsibility to the class. They decide among themselves the Sundays each will teach during a set time. They also inform each other as to the days when they will be unable to attend. The co-teacher has eliminated the feeling of being merely an assistant and has increased coordination of the Sunday school, as well as in the class.

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by Maurine Clements

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VISIT TO WIN

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One poster might be made up of numerous legs cut from a magazine. Letter underneath the feet, "We're going out to visit! Don't forget the Visitation Kickoff Thursday, Sept. 24." Or you might use the football kickoff idea for illustration.

Here's how you might plan for Visitation Kickoff Night. Send out an advance mailing outlining the program for the evening. Urge all deacons (or elders), trustees, teachers, officers and young and old adults to be present. Stress the fact that the kickoff begins promptly at 7:45 and concludes promptly at 9:30 with light refreshments. Either the visitation chairman, the general superintendent or the contest director can preside.

From 7:45 to 8:00 p.m. open with the song *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go*, and follow with prayer by a teacher. Then have a departmental superintendent read (without comment) Luke 14: 16-23. The pastor from 8:00 to 8:15 can give a devotional on "Visitation, the Scriptural Method of Winning."

From 8:15 to 8:30 a business man who is accustomed to making surveys and selling people on tough assignments may take over.

Provide a blackboard on which he can note the profits and losses of your Sunday school, the population of your community, and key objectives. Post an enlarged map of your community with your church in the middle and show where your potential is to be found.

From 8:30 to 8:45 the general superintendent or visitation chairman can lead an open discussion on "What Shall We Do About It?" Discuss dates for special and regular visitation projects. Decide on printed material which you have drawn up in advance in rough form for approval and prompt printing. You may decide to print calling cards or use certain tracts for distribution.

Then from 8:45 to 9:00 one of your men or women who does effective visitation might tell of his experiences. Give tips on how to dress, when to call, how long to stay, what to say, what to do when the family visited is glued to the television set.

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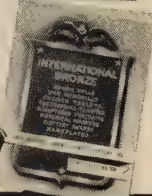
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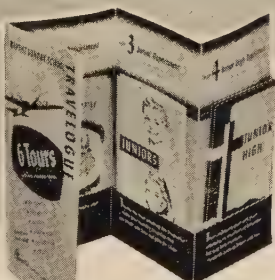
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PUBLICITY

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During the contest our fellow-workers must be continually kept aware of the contest's progress. Graphs and charts help, but a mimeographed newsletter will heighten the enthusiasm even more.

No matter what methods are used, our publicity should always be kept on a high level. Getting people to Sunday school under false pretenses certainly does not glorify the Savior. All publicity should be straightforward and honest. If the program-planners have done their job and we realize the potentialities of a dynamic contest, all that needs to be done is explain what the people want to know.

To be kept constantly in our minds when working with publicity is the fact that Christians possess the greatest message the world has ever known. Also we must remember that, no matter who is in charge of publicity, the ministry of our Sunday school will not reach into men's hearts unless the Holy Spirit convicts them.

Consequently, our first publicity contact must be with God, for unless the contest is encased in prayer, it will be a failure. Then with other publicity methods following, our Sunday school contest can shake the community for Christ. **END**

DRIVE THEM IN

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with substitute drivers or mechanical data that will solve the problem.

After the drivers are informed of their routes and impressed with their responsibilities, the children of the Sunday school should be informed. The time of pickup should be emphasized, because promptness is a necessity for the driver.

An outlying community, whose children the Sunday school may be recruiting, can be informed about the transportation facilities by handbills passed to the doorstep.

Often it is practical to make a definite time schedule. One Sunday school places their bus schedule in the weekly paper every issue.

Drivers should be given permanent routes, for in this way they can become familiar with their passengers. Often the drivers themselves in their cars can lead their passengers to Christ.

Another way the drivers can do a job that no one else can do is by being a silent witness to the children's unsaved parents.

This may eventually lead to a personal invitation by the driver to the parent to attend the Sunday services of the church.

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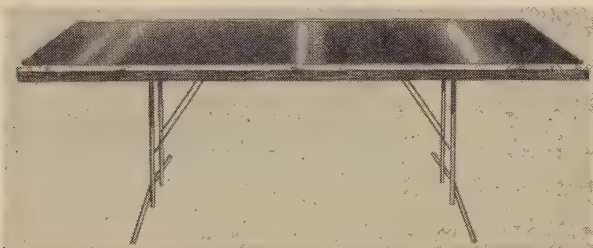
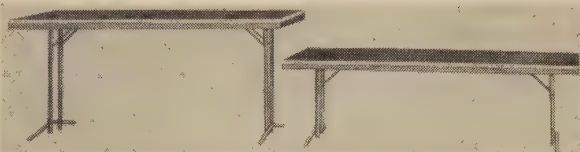
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NOT TOO YOUNG

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Volunteer firemen joined in the comprehensive search for six-year-old Esther. After more than five hours of forest-combing, just before midnight, they stumbled across her body, only a few hundred yards from one of the school's dormitories. A deep knife wound indicated she had been stabbed to death. The coroner's verdict later verified the violent nature of both deaths.

Closing the broadcast, the commentator cried, "A maniac is on the loose. No one knows when and where he will strike again, as he is sure to do."

I realized the terror that would grip the hearts of every mother in the community until the killer was found. Children wouldn't be let out of sight.

But I knew also that the authorities were doing everything they could to capture this murderer. And other questions had gained prominence in my mind. These girls, Marjorie and Esther; had we won them for Christ?

Yes, there was a chance. For 16 years dozens upon dozens of underprivileged children from this school had heard the Gospel from our teachers.

So pressing was the question upon my mind that I decided to check the Sunday school record books at the church. On my way I recalled the time four years ago when we almost lost our contact with the Home. It was during the CHRISTIAN LIFE Sunday School contest when the Home decided not to furnish transportation to our Sunday school any longer. Desirous of winning the contest as well as winning boys and girls to Christ, our teachers offered the needed cars and the children from Lakeside School were kept in our Sunday school. Maybe Marjorie and Esther were among those which that national contest had kept.

In the church I scanned the primary record books and found the names of both Marjorie and Esther. Hence, the first of my questions had been answered. The record books further indicated that Marjorie began attending four years ago, the time of the contest, and had been attending quite regularly since. The records also showed that Esther had been coming for two years.

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Then my finger pointed to last Sunday's attendance. Both Marjorie and Esther had been there.

"Now," I thought, "to contact their teachers and find if they had made a decision for Christ." Of course I was glad they had attended our Sunday school; it meant that they had a chance to accept Christ. But had they responded to the invitation? That was the next question.

On re-entering the parsonage, I heard the phone ring.

It was one of our primary teachers—in fact, Marjorie's teacher. She wanted me to know about Marjorie. I was thankful for a teacher so concerned.

She told me that a few Sundays ago after the busses arrived, the children from Lakeside were unusually quiet. Inclined to be moody, pretty Marjorie, who came from a family of 14 children, had been harder to reach than some of the others. She did her usual amount of giggling, but this morning she and two other girls had come quietly to class.

The teacher had taken advantage of it to speak pointedly to them about their soul's salvation, and asked if they wouldn't like to accept Christ. The three of them prayed in a most serious way, asking Jesus to come into their hearts.

That was it. I hung up the receiver and breathed silently, "Thank you, Lord." I realized how very simple it would have been for a Sunday school teacher to pass up such an opportunity and let someone else do it later when the child would understand more.

But my question was only half answered. What about six-year-old Esther? I decided to call a beginner instructor who would have taught her prior to her promotion into the primary department last October.

I asked about Esther. The instructor answered that Esther had been so faithful that she had earned her first-year attendance pin.

"But what about her soul?" I asked, perhaps a bit impatiently.

The instructor told me that she used to worry a lot, especially over the prospect of the bus leaving for the Home after Sunday school without her. In fact, the Beginner's department, which for years had its chairs face the windows, changed them around in the other direction to keep Esther and others from the Home from seeing the bus when it drove up a few minutes before the end of the lesson.

One day a special speaker in the Beginner's department gave an invitation for the children to let Jesus into their hearts, but Esther didn't seem to understand nor respond, the teacher said.

"And I know," said the teacher, "that when promoted to the Primary department last October, she still hadn't lost her fear of being left behind by the bus after Sunday school."

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- 165 Saved By Grace, I Know That My Redeemer Liveth
- 167 Sometime We'll Understand, In the Sweet By and By
- 173 I Love to Tell the Story, Faith of Our Fathers
- 175 Praise Him, Praise Him, Moment by Moment
- 177 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus, Tell Me the Old, Old Story
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- 185 Farther Along, My Sins Are Gone
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I thanked her and decided to phone Esther's present teacher in the primary department.

I checked with the primary teacher concerning Esther's fear of being left behind. "Yes," she concurred, "every week without fail, a few minutes before the bell rang, Esther looked out the window, reached for her wraps and fidgeted for the door."

"So you don't think she made a decision for Christ?" I persisted.

"Well, two Sundays ago, we had a lesson on God's love and care. I explained how God cares for the birds. You know, how that not one falls to the ground without God's knowledge. And if God cares for the birds, how much more must He care for us who are of such greater value. In fact, He sent His Son to die for us on the cross. And if we trust Him, we are forgiven, have eternal life and belong to Him.

"Pastor, she really got that lesson," her teacher told me. "When it came time to leave, instead of little Esty grabbing her coat and hat and edging toward the door, she said calmly, 'I don't have to run for the bus. Jesus will take care of me. He loves me. The bus won't go without me!' And she took her time."

"And besides that," she continued, "the housemothers who come on the bus with the children each Sunday told me how Esther, who was always the first to rush on the bus, just took her time the last two Sundays, unafraid and trustful."

"Then you really feel that Esther had become a Christian?" I asked, seeking a positive statement.

"It's rather hard to tell sometimes about little children; sometimes what you have to go by is just a few actions and things they do afterward; you almost have to look at how they live. But I honestly think that Esther was saved, pastor; I really do."

Two days later a boy, 16, who had never attended our Sunday school, confessed the killing. Of course, the entire county was relieved when this boy was caught. But their relief could never compare with the joy I had when I learned that Marjorie and Esther had been reached by our Sunday school for Christ.

Since then, I've seen headlines describing murders in other towns and heard shrieking broadcasts announcing the shocking news in all sorts of places. And every time now, I wonder if Sunday schools in those areas had reached those children for Christ.

Maybe I'd never seen how important my Sunday school teachers were before. But I know now. After the tragic slaying of Marjorie and Esther, I realize that each teacher's responsibility is tremendously vital and dangerously urgent.

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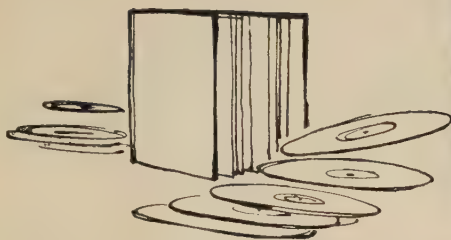
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Discs for Missionaries

A MISSIONARY in France, Miss M. McC., writes about some of the Sing-
spiration Missionary Adventures for boys
and girls which we did some time ago and
the entire set of story recordings by "Aunt
Theresa" Worman of WMBI. I'll let her
tell about it.

"When I packed these in my equipment,
I knew they could be used, but little did
I know exactly how it would come to pass.
About one month ago, I started having a
Bible school during school time release in
a grade school on one of the USA Air
Force bases near Paris. I have used one
story in each of my classes. Since I have
eight complete stories of yours, beside Aunt
Theresa's, it will last me the rest of this
school year. If you know of other records
like this, I'd love to hear of them. I really
pray that more missionaries would bring
material like this to mission fields where
there are USA air bases, for there are
many possibilities in this work. . . . Many,
many servicemen and parents of the chil-
dren listen to these records, as they come
into my room where the class is in progress.
They tell me how much they like them."

That's a fine report. It made me feel
good all over. Do you know of mission-
aries whom you might supply with discs
of this kind for this purpose?

■ Two of my favorite people in the field
of gospel recording (and I have a long list
of favorites) are Beverly and Eddie Dunn
of Covina, Calif. They make recordings
under the Corner Stone label and I have
some new ones to mention this month. Be-
side this fine husband and wife team, Cor-
ner Stone has some other excellent talent,
including Evangelist Jack Shuler; Organist
Bob Andersen of the Jack Shuler party;
the Jack Rains Chorus; Linnie Olson, pian-
ist and organist; The King's Messengers
(Western style singers); John Olson, voc-
alist; Augie Cicinelli, guitarist; and Mar-
garet Pucek and Harold Enns, vocalists.

Eddie and Beverly do *Each Step of the
Way*, *Wonderful*, and combine with John
and Linnie Olson for *His Promise Is True*,
Peace in the Valley, and *I'm on the Battle-
field*. These are all very well done and
are good arrangements. My only adverse
comment would be that Eddie move back
a bit, so that Beverly might have more of
the mike.

Jack Shuler, assisted by the Jack Rains
Chorus, does a speaking bit in *The Prison-
er* and *In His Time*, which is tops. If you
like clever organ novelties, you will love
Bob Andersen's two-side recording of
Brighten the Corner, played as it might be
heard in America, China, among the Gyp-
sies, in Alaska and Latin America. Harold
Enns, a good baritone voice, sings *Journey-*

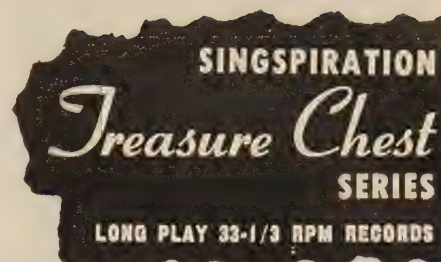
man, with the assistance of the Jack Rains
Chorus. This is a beautiful number com-
posed by Jack Shuler. It has a bit of the
flavor of *Journey's End*, which John Charles
Thomas made famous. It is lovely. Mar-
garet Pucek joins Enns for *Close to the
Savior's Side*, which is mighty well done.
You will do well to add these all to your
collection of 10-inch, 78 rpm recordings.

■ A new, beautiful baritone voice has just
made four sides for Linden Recordings. It
is that of William Albert Jackson, Camano
Chapel soloist, a pupil of John Charles
Thomas. This is a voice of rare, sweet
quality, and he sings with real understand-
ing of the song's message. He sings *The
Love of God*, *The Old Rugged Cross*, *God
Understands*, and *Oh, What a Day*. Ed-
die Clifford, accompanying on the organ,
does a good job musically, but I wish he
had a better quality instrument. Its tone
is muffled, with practically no resonance or
"umph." But this fine voice is a great ad-
dition to our gospel recording artists.

■ Howard and Ada Skinner, of Muske-
gon, Mich., are known far and wide as
musicians of the highest caliber. Their
vocal and instrumental work at Maranatha
Conference in Michigan, as well as their
service in connection with Bible confer-
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the country has endeared them to multi-
tudes of people. I am happy to report a
long play record under the Super label,
which has several of their best numbers.
The instrumental and vocal balance is all
that could be desired and the record sur-
face is free from any noise. Here are the
eight titles, *Jesus Is All I Need*; *Is It Not
Wonderful*; *I Will Never Leave Thee*;
Lord, Send Me; *Ivory Palaces*; *Songs in the
Night*; *Oh, What a Day* and *Jesus, Lover
of My Soul*. There is a fine variety of vo-
cal, piano and organ in this list.

■ It is always nice to discover a soprano
voice which records well. I have found
another to add to this rather limited list.
It is the voice of Helen Judy Hardy, re-
cording for Sacred Custom Records. This
young lady has a very smooth, resonant,
reliable voice. She doesn't try to go be-
yond her range, which is a consummation
devoutly to be wished. Her enunciation
is well nigh 100 per cent, and as I lis-
tened to these records, I felt that she has
a heart appreciation. Larry Maves fur-
nishes organ accompaniments for all the
numbers in a very satisfactory manner.
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Satisfied with Jesus, *Why Do I Sing about
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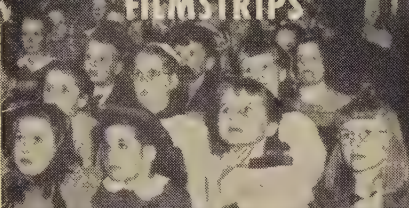
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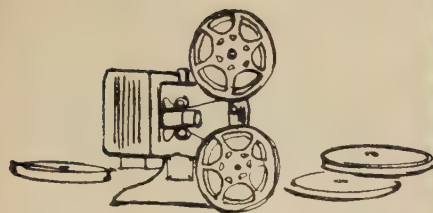
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Films Need to be Publicized

SUCCESSFUL film presentations are often the result of good promotion. More and more churchmen are realizing the value of advertising. The film producers are cognizant of this and are making available a variety of promotional materials. For most films there are available posters, hand-outs, news mats, news releases and post cards with a scene from the film and a short description. A recent project has been to send "glossies" depicting an important scene.

Some have resorted to the making of tickets; of course there is a diversity of opinion on using tickets with Christian films.

It is most important to get the greatest return on your rental investment. We suggest that you look into the promotional material available through your local library. By all means give your film presentations plenty of publicity. Start the campaign at least a month in advance.

■ From out of Bob Jones University comes *Miracle*, a new film that promises to be one of the leading evangelical films of 1953. Under the capable direction of Katherine Stenholm the evangelical film world has been given this quality Christian film. The sets are numerous, the make-up is very good, camera work is of the best and the musical background is excellent.

The story centers around Joseph Parelli, a world famous musician. It was just a



Hero of *Miracle* is saved from alcoholism.

sociable drink that led to his gradual enslavement to alcohol and the loss of family, home and position. Finally broken in body and spirit he wanders into a gospel mission. He volunteers to play the invitation hymn on the piano, *There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood*. Before finishing the second verse, he played himself right into the arms of the Savior.

The closing of the film is handled very intelligently and scripturally by Dr. Bob Jones, Jr. The technique used is most

welcome in that the message of this story film is brought to the level of all viewers. There will be no limits on the use of this film. I recommend this film very highly and trust that we will have many more such quality evangelical films. Use it and see more "miracles of God's grace" wrought. Running time 26 minutes, black and white, rental.

■ *White Unto Harvest* is one in a series of five filmstrips on personal evangelism. This Broadman strip emphasizes the personal responsibility we have to those without Christ. It points out how too often we overlook such people as the postman, newspaper boy and our next door neighbor. A few examples of personal evangelism at work are given with a further challenge to go to work, for the "fields are white unto harvest." This filmstrip is very highly recommended. Pastors and youth directors should find this production a very helpful instructional tool. A 35mm film-strip with manual, 38 frames.

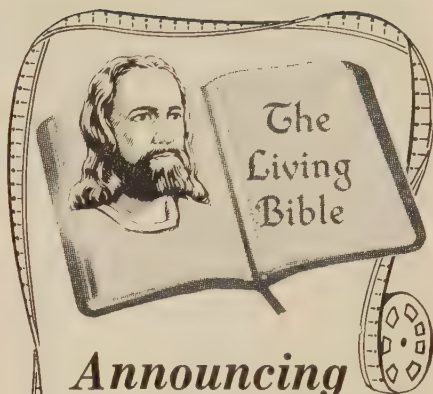
■ For a long time I have looked for such a film as *New Doorways to Learning*. This Cathedral Films production reveals the many audio-visual aids that the Christian church has available to tell the gospel story. Plans for setting up an audio-visual program are listed. Short scenes from several films are given and their relative values in the church program.

If you are having a problem selling your church on audio-visuals, by all means use this film. Running time is 20 minutes in black and white. Film is available free of charge from your local Cathedral dealers.

■ *Missing Christians* is a new improved Evangel Films release of the former film bearing the same title. The story is of the rapture of the saints and of the horror and confusion of those left behind.

Use of the film should drive home the vital message of the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ and of the desperate situation of those not ready for His coming. Audience reaction has proven satisfactory and many have come to find Christ as Savior through its ministry. Running time 55 minutes in color. Available only with local evangelists.

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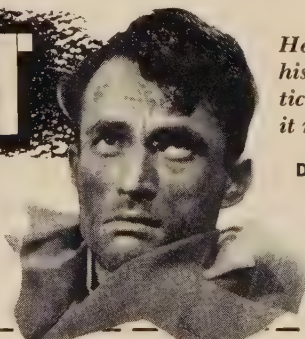
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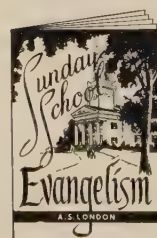
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Because of the apparent need for marital counsel to Christian couples, Dr. Edman devotes his entire column this month to answer a reader's question concerning happiness in married life.

■ I do not see how our home can go on much longer. Really, it does not seem like a home. We get on each other's nerves, with tension most of the time. It all seems to be a terrible mistake, with no possibility of adjustment or happiness. We are both Christians, members of a local church and happier when we are helping in the Sunday school than when we come home from the Sunday services. What do you suggest?

I am often puzzled and deeply troubled why there are so many Christian people unhappily married. Life itself is wonderful, the gift of God to us, both physical and spiritual life.

Lots of people are unmarried or widowed; and while I have no statistics at my finger tips, there seems to be as much unhappiness among Christian couples as loneliness among single folks. But it should not be so. Recall the questions of the marriage ceremony. Do you remember, "Wilt thou love her (or him)?" Years ago, you said, "I will!" And yet, what is love? The best answer to that searching question is given in the little poem by Bishop Ralph S. Cushman.

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Love implies a confidence, so deep and sure in the other, that there is trust and not fear. "The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her" (Prov. 31:11).

"Wilt thou cherish her (or him)?" To cherish is to hold dear, to treat with tenderness and affection. How deadly can be the frost of coolness between Christian married folks. Difficulties and differences of opinion do not arise as a rule because of large factors, even money or unfaithfulness, but because of little digs, minute aggravations, trivial factors. In *Screwtape Letters* the master demon advised that not great problems were needed to produce spiritual defeat. Just a little taking offense at a word or a tone of speech, just a trifle at the breakfast table, the sting of a little irritability—and the whole day is destroyed!

Said the writer of the Proverb, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness" (31:26).

A married couple should cherish time spent with each other. Each has responsibilities; but how wonderful it is to have

an evening at home together. "Wilt thou comfort her (or him)?" There is genuine delight in helping each other. Work is a blessing, not a bane; a delight and not a dreary duty. "She worketh willingly with her hands . . . she riseth also while it is yet night . . . her candle goeth not out by night . . . she looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness" (Prov. 31:13, 15, 18, 27). Wife and mother need help around the house, especially with the children, who are a joint responsibility and opportunity. Christian men can be lazy and thoughtless around the house; and Christian wives can be careless or calloused about the welfare of their husbands. How many men make their own breakfast? Strange, too, how critical married folks can become of each other. He who once was an Adonis is now just a dunce! She who was as fair as the morning or as the moonlight is as far from loveliness as last night's unwashed dishes!

"Wilt thou honor her (or him)?" To honor is to recognize the respect, the esteem, the courtesy, the affection and the devotion that we should have to another. To honor is to love, to cherish and to comfort. Each of us has his frailties and shortcomings; but when we see the good points of another, the really excellent qualities, then there should be appreciation, expressed outwardly. In Prov. 31:28 we read, "Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

To be thankful one to the other, and especially to the Almighty who has given one a husband or a helpmeet; to express appreciation for every thoughtfulness and to be mindful of every need; to esteem the other better than oneself, that is to "honor."

"Wilt thou keep her (or him) in sickness and in health?" Tragedy can temper the love into a bond of strongest steel. Illness can become a blessing as hearts are bound closer together; sorrow can sweeten and chasten. In hours of deepest testing love is "strongest in loss."

Statistics show that the danger points for the home are in the first years of married life and after that in the early twenties. Hearts that have learned to love, cherish, to comfort, to honor, and to keep, learn to be adjusted and to be happy. Look for the good, and love will be filled with laughter.

I would recommend that each of you pray over these suggestions, and then go through the wedding ceremony again. Listen carefully to the questions and then intelligently and earnestly say to each other, "I will!"

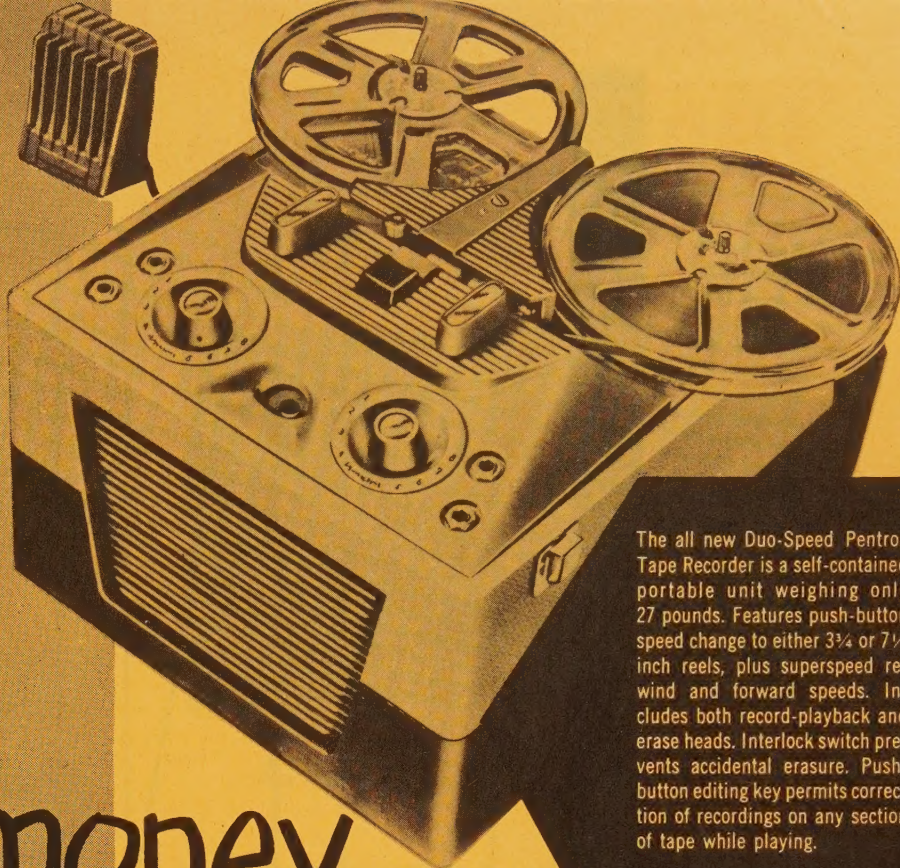
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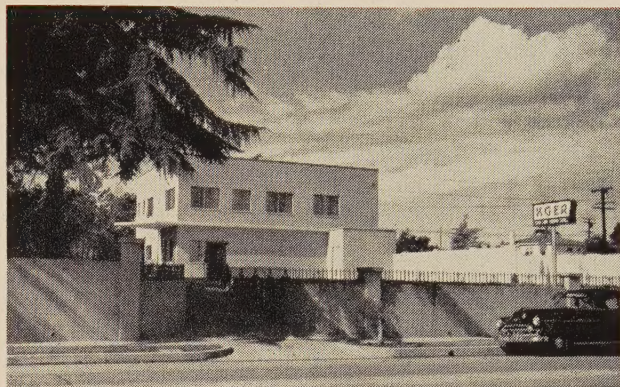
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